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CHAPTER I.

GREYSTONE-ON-SEA.



JENNY

In the embrace of a curvature of this noble island of Britain, where the coast beheld by the passing mariner shines before his eyes with the pearly gloss and delicate shimmer of marble where the land shoots out into the sea, scorning, with its iron heel staunchly planted, the thunderous shocks of the hurricane or the more deadly tooth of the lapping calm, and heaving on high at night its flaming beacon like the fabled giant defying the stars with uplifted torch, stands a town whereon no man with a mind into which soft thoughts may enter readily can gaze without stopping to reflect.

In this little town, time and the handiwork of man have wrought lovingly together.

And generous nature has backed them, glorifying the land around with calm enrichment of intermingling trees, and broad fields which pour their green or golden fruits down the hillsides and along the vigorous plains.

Beheld from a distance, this little town seems to dwell with something of the shadowiness of an ancient picture upon the English seaboard.

Shadow cast one seeks as an element in pictures of a day which time has made dim. Greystone, in our own age, has this artistic condition to perfection. It is a ready made vignette to adorn the little social legend which the gossips have handed down through the century.

As this little town is now I say, so, with scarcely a change of note to name—counting the laying of gas pipes and the ejectment in 1844, of Tobias Pipes, the town crier, as nothing—was it in that year of grace, w[illegible] pin and high prices—to wit, Anno 18[illegible].

There goes now and there went then a narrow pass up to the westward of the town, out of the waste of silver sand which the water never covered, unless driven to it by a conspiracy of moon and gale.

By two walls of rock spanned for the footpath along the cliff's edge by a rude bridge looking from below to rule the sky with a slim and giddy filament by great protuberances of stone and rugged boulders of chalk intermitting a sandy, rushy herbage, with yellow grass in places and a moist faint colored moss of the hue of the jelly fish when it slowly comes to the surface of green salt water—you passed into a verdant lane and the moan of the surf sounded hollow behind you through the echoing ravine.

Along this lane, that broadened presently out of the shadow of trees and the intercepting of hedgerows into a fair open road, you wound your steps toward the town in the ripe summer—time always losing the track a hundred yards ahead of you behind the tall crops of the fields, and when the roofs and chimneys of the town were showing over harvest crops to the right, and the square turret of Holy Trinity with its gilt cross standing like a flame of fire against the sky level of its gray top with the green swell of the adjacent cliff—until you came to a house.

CHAPTER II.

DR. SHAW AND HIS SON.

On a certain Wednesday afternoon, the walled enclosure of the back of this house presented an agreeable scene of boys at play. There were not less than forty of them, with just half an acre of ground for their feet to measure. Now the whole circumference of this barrier might truly seem narrow scope for the impetuosities of their leap-frog, their "horses," and other extremely animated pastimes.

Among the shadows under the chestnuts a young man was seated on a bench.

He held a book in his hand, over which he pored.

Never was attitude of wrapt studiousness so utterly engrossed. In all the shouting and ... of the boys, there was nothing to provoke the slightest ... of his figure.

But he never turned a page.

He was of a slender build yet with shoulders broad enough to warrant him a man. His feet were such compact curves as a woman's eye would love to dwell on, for the ... of the breeding and ... ness of them. His bountiful auburn hair fell curling to his shoulders, as the fashion then was upon men who were forswearing the wig yet sticking to the traditions of luxuriant head clothing.

The ... of him now visible.

Yet enough to make a picture of gentle masculine grace, and a shape of strong and nervous beauty.

He paid no more heed to the boys than they to him though he was there to keep them in order.

While he thus sat, there came briskly on to a platform (which a flight of steps led to the playground) a short, plump old man in black stockings and tail coat, and frill sprouting out like a fan from his bosom.

Catching hold of the rail he ran his small, brilliant black eyes (taking a power of illumination from shaggy white eyebrows and a dusky skin) over the tumbling figures of the boys, and then looked steadfastly at the young man whose back was toward him.

By degrees the boys grew aware of his presence.

Their shouts slackened, their mirth grew constrained their antics got flatter.

Still the befrilled figure stood staring on the young man, and the young man sat bending over his book, lost, in some deep blind of contemplation, to all external change.

"Cuthbert!" shouted the old man.

The young fellow looked around quickly, as though alarmed by the voice, or rather by the meditations which the voice had disturbed.

He arose and went toward the house.

"What book is that in your hand?" inquired the old gentleman, with his eyebrows knitted, and the hair of them glittering like frost in the beam of sunshine that fell straight on his face through the trees.

"Juvenal, sir."

And as the young man spoke he glanced upward with a pair of blue eyes, and disclosed a beautiful and winning countenance.

"Juvenal, indeed! Much of Juvenal have you read there I have stood here with my eyes upon you."

"Really——"

"No, no that's not your task. And give me leave to say that while you are woolgathering Eaterman, senior, and Francis Tregaskis have earned a flogging for using their fists. That was proceeding in a true line with your nose, and all the waggeries of the past should not keep you from noting misconduct, if your mind was not elsewhere than in your head."

This was spoken in a low tone, not wanting in sharp distinctness.

The young fellow addressed as Cuthbert made no reply. He stood in passive posture with no more than a little deepening of the expression of thoughtfulness on his face, and his eyes bent down upon the ground.

The old gentleman, having made an end of his rebuke, gazed at him fixedly for several moments, and then, bidding him "step with him into his study," wheeled about and went into the house.

The boys, left to themselves, fell to their sports again with an uproar that took a new edge from its short suppression.

The doctor seated himself in a crimson velvet armchair, and motioned to the other to a ... Then, crossing his legs, and nursing his knee with plump hands, on the forefinger of one of which was a great signet ring, he fixed his eyes on his companion with a gaze which, for severity and keenness, should have bored his mind through and through.

"Cuthbert," said he, speaking in a clear, firm voice, not, perhaps, destitute of a touch of suavity, "I have long had it on my mind to bring you to book with a plain question. Living under my eye as you do, do you conceive it possible, sir, that the remarkable change your character has undergone should have escaped me? Come, I will speak intelligibly. It strikes me that you grow weary of your apprenticeship. Understand me. You would rather not be a schoolmaster. Is that it? Look at me full in the eyes, man, and remember that your father abhors a lie."



CUTHBERT AND DR. SHAW

Cuthbert raised his eyes, but they fell instantly. Still he answered quickly

"I don't grow weary of it. Why do you charge me? Has a single murmur ever escaped me?"

"What! Is discontent to be expressed by nothing but groans? Give me leave to tell you that a man can murmur with his face, sir without opening his mouth. Pray understand that—murmur with his face, sir."

"Well," said Cuthbert, with a little drooping of the head and a reluctant manner, "I will say that if I did not know how near your wishes concerning me lay to your heart, I—I——"

Here he shrugged his shoulders, smiled faintly and fell silent, beating the ground softly with his foot.

"Pray finish your sentence. You would correct a pupil I hope, for stammering," broke in the irritable doctor

With an expression in his eyes which made it very difficult to tell whether he was quite as much in earnest as his speech represented him Cuthbert exclaimed, with a certain fastidious emphasis

"I think no young Englishman who reads the papers but must sometimes feel a generous ambition to share in the glories and perils of the deeds which British soldiers and sailors are enacting in all parts of the world."

The doctor stared his face hung between a scowl and a grin then he burst out sharply

"The world is before you It is only your own legs hinder your generous ambition. What else stays you?"

"Your wishes."

The doctor sneered.

"Or I had better say my duty" said the young fellow in a soft voice, looking for a moment at his father and then turning his eyes aside and biting his lip.

"Duty!" cried the doctor, sarcastically "Are you stopped by the duty you owe me, or the duty you owe yourself? If you want to illustrate fine thoughts, give me something better than brave words for proof. If your father's calling is too low a pursuit——"

"Low sir!"

"I said low"

"Indeed, then——"

"Hold your prate! How dare you interrupt me, sir! I say that if your father's calling is too low a pursuit to satisfy your vaulting mind, why, shake off the mean burden, loosen your wings, and leave your duty behind you. Tut! tut!" he cried, motioning with his hand, "if these are your fancies, I'll not balk your gratification of them, trust me! It is nothing, of course," he continued with a bitterness he could not conceal though he would imagine his satirical smile a good mask, "that for twenty years I should have been sturdily plodding on in hope of leaving you an established man of sound report and name, narrowly holding my earnings, with the blessed help of your dead and sacred mother that I might give you an Oxford training, nothing my vigorous toil, my slow and painful reaches to competency of which what should you know beyond what you have gleaned from your poor mother's tales of our early struggles! Pshaw get you gone my dear There is glory abroad, indeed —murder lust and fire Now go and add your mite to the general destruction by the demolition of your father's hopes"

This was high tragedy rant. Something to make a modern laugh. But old gentlemen used to spout somewhat in this way in those days, and sons who called papas "sir" listened respectfully to stronger stuff than this, as you may see in the comedies of the age and learn from the tales of your grandfather

"Father," cried Cuthbert—and there shot into his face a sudden expression of deep appeal that made its beauty as touching and as soft as a woman's—"you are not just to me. I do not wish to leave you I glanced very lightly at my fancies. Fancies they are—most trifling, without influence, indeed. If there is anything in my manner that causes you uneasiness I will reform it."

But once more his keen glance went downward and the keen gaze of his father's black eyes assuredly belied their owner's sagacity if he did not detect that something stood between him and his son's honesty

Yet, divining no other reason that his son should not be honest with him than that he was smarting under youthful impatience of dull routine he stuck like a man to the skirts of Cuthbert's own suggestions

"I don't say," he remarked, in a softened manner "that the business of educating boys is not tedious. But after all, name me the calling that has not something objectionable."

"I have said that I am content to remain as I am."

"Is that really so?"

"Truly so."

"Yet you are not yourself," said the doctor gazing doubtfully at his son "something is amiss. Just now Juvenal was under your nose and—let me see the book."

Cuthbert handed him the volume.

"Well, it is Juvenal but that is mere luck, for you never looked at it. What distracts you?"

The young fellow folded his arms and remained silent, slowly swaying his foot.

"I date this change in you from the day of your return from London," continued Dr Shaw, drawing from his pocket a small gilt snuff box, and taking a pinch ready to apply when anger should set him sniffing. "I put money into your hand for the holiday, and trusted to your discretion to make it a cheap purchase of enlarged views. What did you do in London? I need not ask you. You have told me—you went sightseeing—and I believe you."

Cuthbert bit his lip.

"That is enough, sir—I believe you," continued the doctor, answering with emphasis the brief glance that Cuthbert threw at him. "Now am I to suppose that this holiday upset you? Come, come, you are not a yokel, that you cannot walk London streets without your ambition taking fire from every print shop."

He paused, his hand with the pinch of snuff in it suspended, and a light of angry triumph in his eyes, as though he should say, "The secret cannot elude me, but I hate the discovery."

Cuthbert rose and walked to the window, and looked out upon the green swell of cliff and the blue faint space of sea beyond.

That there was a secret in his mind might be known by the pain in his eyes and a contraction of brow which told of a sudden inward wrestle.

But these signs faded, leaving him not paler than he was before, and with a tranquil smile, sweet with the melancholy and docility in it, he turned to his father and said

"Nothing is amiss with me, in the way you suppose. Give me a day or two for reflection. I shall then have something to tell you, and God knows what indulgence you shall show me."

The doctor arched his eyebrows, and, with a stiffening of his back, made his frill project fiercely

"I don't like your strong expressions, sir. And pray, what have you done, that you should hesitate to avow it?"

And he stuck his head back until the hollow of his throat showed above his white neckerchief.

But if Dr Shaw could be angry, so, too, could Cuthbert, his son, be obstinate, and the touch of the mule that is in the composition of most men shows nowhere more transparently than in a handsome face.

"Give me your permission to leave you, sir," said Cuthbert.

The doctor waved his hand, and Cuthbert walked out.

Isaac Shaw was doctor of laws, and this much could be said of him—that better blood than his did not flow in any man's veins in all that town of Greystone, and that more of the learning which is not so much wisdom as scholarship thickened no man's wits within the municipal area.

But Isaac Shaw's learning was more to his profit than honor, as it brought him pupils but gave him no social advance beyond fellow townsmen, inasmuch as not the rector, even, had weight of erudition enough to sink to the depths of his knowledge.

On the other hand, his blood was more to his honor than profit, as it made him haughty and exclusive, with a rattle of insolence sometimes so that he was an unpopular man at Greystone, which supplied him with one only of the forty pupils who studied and struggled on his premises.

This Dr Isaac Shaw loved his son Cuthbert with that kind of love which makes a man unkindly critical, vicious in perception of small weaknesses, and a very strait-jacket unto the object of its affections, that it may walk with moral erectness all the days of its life.

For many a year the current of the boy's existence had flowed gently down the channel of academic routine with never a break of froth in it, nor sudden hasting, nor sharp divergence.

Until suddenly—but the heavens know not without cause—there fell upon his moods a shadow so like melancholy that the doctor took counsel with himself and reasoned thus

"He is mewed up here, and we take few holidays. Every man requires now and again a change of scene Ergo, Cuthbert requires a change of scene. He has asked for such a change of scene, and he shall have it. I will furnish him with twenty guineas and he shall go to London and see life for a fortnight."

But lo! concession, instead of casting out the one devil from his son's mind, merely liberated the imp to return with seven worse imps than itself.

"What is on his mind I cannot conjecture," the doctor mused, looking at the door which Cuthbert had closed. "He says he is not weary of this life."

With a gloomy brow and a puzzled wrinkle of the nose he snuffed up the pinch he had held throughout the interview, and muttered

"But then he may lie"

Now, Dr Isaac Shaw hated strong expressions.

CHAPTER III.

CUTHBERT'S SECRET

Utter silence falls never on a boys' school. Not even on the dormitories wherein the snoring of dull stomachs and mutterings of young slumber, and the restless sprawling of limbs that make the bedsteads creak and the bed clothes slide, are sounds audible through out the night.

But there should be place at prayer time.

That hour is arrived and now we certainly find a tolerable stillness on the benches, young knees and fitful tendency toward laughter notwithstanding.

The resident ushers at the corner of each form their fingers to their eyes, stand erect. Cuthbert kneels near his father A breeze from the sea keeps the chestnut leaves at the windows shivering, and through the twinkling of them the faint gold shine in the west comes and goes, with the large stars in the nearer sky and the growing whiteness of moonlight on the fields.

Then to bed decorously, as becomes the recipients of the benediction

As the boys file out through one door, Cuthbert walks out behind his father through an other door

Though watched on the whole by his father more closely than he merited, seeing that he had long ago abandoned petticoats Cuthbert enjoyed every evening an hour and a half of liberty what time the doctor having dismissed his scholars to bed, withdrew to his study to relax his mind in all ways that pleased him after the tension of the day

His little spell of evening holiday was come, and as the tails of his father's ... fluttered through the study door Cuthbert swung down his hat and left the house

In the young moonlight, and the glimmering memories of crimson over the dark line of the cliff, the ocean breeze, snatching [illegible] fragrance from the nestling crops, was sweet as honey

Down the broad white road Cuthbert went swiftly pausing once to pull a watch from his fob.

The road led straight to the town

Coming presently to the brow of the western slope, the town lay in a fog of moonlight at his feet the lamps threading it in veins of fire sparks, and the sea creaming a wash of white foam on the semicircle of beach.

And so forward and downward, his shadow growing smaller in his wake, and the dusky crops on either hand rippling their ears on a level with his shoulders until a row of noble wayside elms bury him in their heavy gloom.

Here he halts.

It is a weak hearted love that is not punctual in its promises and what should excuse delay when the lover waits and the summer moon shines out her sweet invitation, and the soft wind sets the trees bending stately heads to behold the coming of the tardy one!

But lo! a figure steals around the bend of the road from behind the plumage of the fields, and in a moment lips are meeting.

The embrace is a warm one, wanting in coyness, and the richer in tenderness for the want.

Something to stiffen Dr Shaw's frill into ferocity, and to rob the finest Scotch of all flavor in his nose.

"It is barely the quarter," the girl said in a low voice and she clasped her hands upon his arm and strained her eyes at his face. "We are both before our time"

"Both impatient, Jenny"

"Ay but I will take most credit, for the way is all up hill for me, dear"

"How long can you give me, pretty?"

"Not above five minutes."

"Indeed, then those minutes shall be long ones."

"Not above five minutes I say, Cuthbert, and I feel the pity of it this lovely night, when the moon is so pretty, that I shall cry to go to bed."

He kissed her hand.

"Mother thinks I am gone to see Kate Oliver," she went on. "So I must not stay, for fear she should ask father to fetch me. There are troops of fishermen in the market place, and the streets are full of people, and mother does not like me to walk alone."

"Would she think you safe with your husband?"

"Ah, would not she! If father had her heart——"

"Put away your hat that you may lay your soft hair on my shoulder Here is a dry cushion of grass with a streak of moonlight on it for me to see you in. Have a little patience while I talk to you. Mother will not be wondering yet."

So they seated themselves on the verdure, where the moonlight fell in a lance of tremulous silver, and she, dutifully removing her hat, bent her cheek to his shoulder

Thus they sat, with no other sound to disturb them than the moaning of the sea and the rustling of the leaves over their heads.

In the moonlight a lovely woman's face takes a sad and moving beauty

Not a sweeter face ever smiled in the love of man's eyes than Jenny's, though marred by the moonlight as a mirror for the emotions, which, in the glory of the day, gave it color and archness and a hundred turns of grace.

"My little wife," said he in his gentle voice, "I have been closely pressed to-day by my father I put him on a scent that puzzled him, and really he went down to it greedily, for his anxiety to find out the meaning of what he chooses to call my altered behavior is perfectly wonderful. I hinted—merely hinted—that the news of our sea fights, and our battles ashore, had set my heart beating for higher feast than cramming boys with learning Well, it was time he noticed some change in me"

Jenny counted with her fingers upon his shoulder, softly smiling and listening to him the while.

"He said to me," Cuthbert went on, "'I date the alteration in you from the day of your return from London.' He draws near, you see, dear He is dreadfully close at my heels. Still his notion is odd, seeing that I have not moped since as I moped before I went that trip."

"How like our adventures at home are! Only to-day mother came up to me and took my ear in her hand, and said, 'Jenny, Jenny, I will squeeze *hard* if thou art not honest. I hear you sighing in your sleep just like my old schoolmate Sally Mattocks did when the silly wench brought trouble upon herself by listening to a gypsy woman's lies. Father watches you closely, and I know him very well as a man who never troubles himself to stare, unless there be something to see. What is it, silly?' I pulled my ear away and made it burn to run from her, and I laughed that she might think her talk nonsense. But oh, my dear, I could not help crying just two or three tears. I do not fear mother—indeed, she would be very proud of my own, and love him for his own sweet sake and make him her boast, as I know she would, for often father tells her that she has made her god mothers sad fibbers, though what he means by that you shall tell me, as I have not one little bit of thy cleverness in my head, sweet—but father's eyes when he is angry make me shiver What bold things a girl will do for love. And yet it does not make her brave."

She put her hand over her eyes and peeped at him through her fingers, not for the coquetry of it but that she might not lose sight of him for a moment.

"Jenny, I will tell you what it is—there is no help for it but honesty And that we need not be afraid of."

"Oh, no indeed! The Lord forbid. We are both truly honest, I thank God"

"I will begin with your father, Jenny That is my resolve, and one's own wishes are the easiest way, love. To-morrow evening I will see Mr Strangfield and tell him we are married."

"To-morrow evening!"

It was a long way off for their next meeting, but *very* close for bitter business.

"It is not too soon?" he said, soothingly

"No it is not too soon," she answered, with a little shudder "But I wish it were over—I wish he knew"

"Every moment of delay," he continued, "is a new wrong to you, my pet and surely I am no loving husband, Jenny if I wrong you. What excuse have I for delay? So far it has been cowardice. But I can end it if I choose and to-morrow night it is done. Will your father be at home?"

"I dread to say yes. I shall not dare to face him."

"Jenny, you must not be so timid. You are not alone."

"But I can hear him crying 'Jenny, Jenny, come down from your room!' with his face like wood and the angry stoop of his head, which he will lift in flames, as I saw him once when he charged his niece Martha, who is dead, with an evil deed."

"This is no evil deed, my pretty"

"Did not I just now say we were honest! In my heart I feel we are yet what should my conscience answer if father calls me deceitful?"

But you see, there are so many kinds of deceit. There is one kind that injures people and another kind that injures no one Whom have we injured! Dearest, there is nothing to fear"

"I cannot help fearing my father" she continued, in a trembling voice, "for though he is very stern, he loves me and I dread the thoughts his love will fill him with when he hears that I have deceived him and mother."

"The worst is not so bad as the dread of it, dear

He is so terribly religious."

"Ay a Baptist and my papa is a Tory Churchman And we are to be impaled on their prejudices! Thank the Lord, old men are scant of breath, and when their lungs are empty young men may——"

"Hark! here are the coast guards."

The tramp of men, deadened by the smothering dust of the road, fell upon their ears and soon a little company of dark figures, with the moonshine kindling silver stars in the polished points of their weapons, turned the corner and strode sturdily, in silence, up the hill.

"It should be half past eight," said Jenny "I must be going Bertie I must be going, indeed. Good night say good night to me, Bertie."

They both rose their hands clasped.

"To-morrow night, at half past eight, watch for me at your window, Jenny My mind is resolved I will speak to your father first, and then tell mine the story We shall sleep the sweeter for it A clear conscience before all things and that will come by honoring ourselves."

"Yes, it is right," she whispered with a little shiver "Kiss me and say good night."

He strained her in his arms, and she went away but slackened her pace and fled back to him out of the moonlight. Then, slipping from his lips, she ran across the road and was gone.

CHAPTER IV.

BREAKFAST TIME.

Out of his bed rose Cuthbert, to the tune of the school bell swung by the man who cleaned the boots and thrived on pocket money errands to the destruction of youthful digestions.

His own mild hint yesterday by which he had hoped to put his father off from grappling questions, had stirred him into perception of new sympathies in his nature. With thoughts of his wife and the secret to be divulged before another night should come had mingled impulses of freedom, a yearning for the shows and struggles of an outer world, and a placid weariness of spirit, when the school room rose in his eyes, with the tasks to be set and the ignorance to be corrected

His resolution to proclaim his secret was a quickening spirit in the soil of his mind, germinating seeds there which he himself knew not of

"Why need I fear my father's anger?" he thought, as he threw open his bedroom window, and stood in a stream of sweet warm wind, fresh from the blue water "I have served him dutifully and will yet justify all his fine thoughts of his calling by sticking to it, if he will love Jenny and bear with me for marrying her If not, the world is big enough to find me work surely! What I am fitted for shall not trouble me but what I can get to do I'll do."

This honest soliloquy done, he betook himself to dressing

Never a looking glass gave back a handsomer face than that into which he glanced. Such a picture of dark auburn hair white brow and blue eyes, bright with mind as would set a heartless beauty dreaming like a faithful sweetheart.

And now for the day's dry work, the first stage of which was the meeting of the boys in the schoolroom, to await, amid crackling of yawns and restless shuffling of feet, the arrival of Dr Shaw in that academic gown of his, which he donned only to read the morning prayers in or to birch a boy

Between prayer time and breakfast time there was a half hour, to employ which profitably to his spirits, that stood sorely in need of regenerating influences, and also to escape his father's eyes, the twist of which, when they all got off their knees, he did not relish, Cuthbert went into the fields before the house, and so, through the glorifying sunshine and the narrow footway in the barley, down to the short grass of the cliff edge, on the swell of which he stood within a fathom of the sheer fall.

A scene of summer beauty and morning splendor was this he overlooked.

But Cuthbert was toiling with a giant in his mind, and nature was only blue and green to him for there is nothing dainty to a troubled mind but ease, and this our young friend could not get, neither by sitting nor by standing

But no use standing moodily conjecturing trouble. So back again to the school house through the crops, which went whispering to the passage of the wind, as though they had snatched a secret from it.

To the ushers—this old fashioned term is very meaning—was conceded the privilege of breakfasting with the boys. But Cuthbert would have been glad to exchange places with any one of them that morning, so little fancy had he for a tete-a-tete with his father

It was his duty, however, to be in the room when the boys assembled, and observe that grace was duly said by one of the masters, and deliver the order for the boys to fall to.

Under the clock he stood, punctual to the hour, and in a hungry swarm the boys tumbled in.

Grace having been said by a bachelor of arts, and the order to begin given, out sprang forty hands from under the tables, and the pyramids lost their form and substance.

Then Master Cuthbert, with a pleasant smile around him, left the room.

Old Dr Shaw, with his legs crossed, and showing no prodigy of calf, bent an eye upon his son as he entered the room that seemed to twist round and round into him.

Cuthbert took a chair and waited, with his father, for the servant to bring in the ham and teapot.

Until these things were forthcoming the doctor held his tongue.

Then, wheeling round, cup in hand and the saucer poised on thumb and forefinger, after an old fashioned habit of drinking tea, he looked hard at Cuthbert.

"I have no right yet, I suppose," said he, in a level voice, "to ask you to explain your mysterious hints of yesterday?"

"It was understood, sir, that I should have a day or two for reflection."

"For reflection on what?" demanded the doctor, sharply

"In asking that, you ask all, father."

"All!"

The doctor uttered the exclamation with a most embracing emphasis.

Cuthbert made no answer.

"I should be glad to have my doubts set at rest," continued the doctor, with a gloomy nod of the head, intended to serve as a challenge.

Still no reply from Cuthbert.

"Indeed!" exclaimed Dr. Shaw, with a great deal of the schoolmaster in his face and a flourish of the saucer, "I have a right to *demand* an answer from you."

"So you have, sir, unquestionably"

"Then give me, in a few words, the meaning of this change in your behavior"

"A few words will convey nothing"

"Then," shouted the doctor, "be elaborate. Give me prolixity if you will, so that you explain."

"Pray, sir, moderate your impatience. I pledge myself to be open with you shortly"

Dr Shaw grew red in the face, and deposited his cup and saucer, that he might gesticulate unconstrainedly

"*What*," said he, subduing the passion in his voice, "what I desire to know, is this matter—in your mind, that is—not yet ripe for confession?"

"I have promised to tell you."

"When, sir?"

"Possibly to-morrow."

"So, sir, it is a secret!" said the doctor, with his eyes full of exasperation.

"So you will have it," replied Cuthbert, scarcely smothering a smile.

This was stubbornness dreadfully mortifying to the doctor

But in any case, the best compromise to justify present anxiety and preserve his dignity in the future, was a dark brow and a chilly demeanor

These were not hard to come at, and under their shadow breakfast ended.

CHAPTER V

IMPRESSED

Cuthbert might well be thankful that there would be no need for him to meet his father again that day in privacy unless summoned

It was not quite clear to himself why he should choose to make his and Jenny's secret known to old Strangfield before he spoke to his father but men in mental straits yield often to inclination without much inquiry and that his father, to his way of thinking was, of the two doses to be swallowed, the more ill favored for his honesty to gulp at, was the only reason he could have given you for carrying his bit of news to Strangfield first.

Into the school room he went, with his nervous brooding and face of unpeaceful thought and mounted his stool, loathing the pantomime of his actions.

At ten o'clock, with the punctuality that invites awe entered Dr Shaw; up rose the forms and the desks to salute this head, as wigs in the law courts spring into a flourish of vegetation when "my lord" comes rustling to the judgment seat. With a short bow—for pomp is difficult to five foot six of stocking and tail, though swelling with frill—the doctor took his seat, and with a smart rap on his desk summoned the Grecians to their labors.

Noon was the hour for a frisk in the playground.

To escape his father, Cuthbert joined the boys but had no heart to mingle in their sports, though invited by some of the elder lads.

The English master, a cautious, reddish-haired son of the Borderland, but of speech untainted by Erse, unhaunted by Runic germs came to him with a trim politeness of air and extolled the sky

"Sir," said the English master, clapping some book under his arm, "this is weather to make boys fat with pleasure."

Cuthbert smiled.

"When I was a lad I ran most nimbly when the sun was hottest. It must please your father's son, Mr Cuthbert, to see these boys so hearty and spirited."

"No doubt he is pleased," rejoined Cuthbert, listlessly

"You will observe, sir, that health is a larger condition in the eyes of parents than education."

"It should be so."

"One should be a boy to lead boys, Mr Cuthbert."

"Sometimes one gets tired of boys, though."

"It is plain, Mr Shaw, that you find this business of teaching boys irksome."

"I need not deny it," replied Cuthbert, candidly with a glance round the playground.

"But—pray pardon my freedom—you are a younger man than I, of bright promise, Mr Shaw—forgive me—and ardent, as I may fairly presume from your abilities. I sometimes respectfully wonder that your father does not give scope to your ambitions, and deliver you with such opportunities as his position warrants, to the world you could not fail to grace"

Ah, Mr Saunderson, there is much to wonder at," replied Cuthbert, gently. "Time squares everything, if we have patience for the routine of phases. There is the little baronet crying—who has been bullying him?" —with which excuse he left the English master

So the day wore away and the evening came and when the boys had trooped to the dormitories Cuthbert went to his room to prepare his mind and person for the beginning of a difficulty He had no acquaintance with Mr Strangfield, but knew him well by sight, of course, as Jenny's father, and by hearsay as a mule of a man in prejudice, rancorous as a moslem in his manner of belief, and with those disdains of blood precedence and factitious rights which filled the pot-houses of the time with eloquence, and gave a strut to the low man's stride. So, as a tactician should who knows that big ends are often compassed by small provisions, Cuthbert dressed himself in his soberest apparel—a well worn monkey jacket and dark small clothes—resolved, at least, with true world cunning, that the hard-eyed Baptist should find nothing foppish in his dress to smell rankly to prepare prejudice

Then, with his lips twitching to the strength of his silent arguments, our hero went lightly down the staircase, and softly passed his father's study, and out by the house door

He had hoped to get away unseen, but lo! in front of the garden gate stood Mr. Saunderson smoking a pipe and contemplatively enjoying the strong evening breeze. The twilight was small, and the moon reddening behind the glowing foreland lamp. Had Cuthbert chosen to walk on Mr Saunderson would not have recognized him; but in his embarrassment he must needs stop and speak, whereat the master whipped his pipe out of his mouth and stared ceremoniously

"A fresh evening, Mr Saunderson. Pray continue to smoke."

"It is, I may truly say, my only indulgence," replied Mr Saunderson, giving his pipe a loving shake "There is less chance of my being observed here by the boys, than were I to light my pipe at the back of the house. You are going for a stroll, sir"

"Ay, one cannot do without exercise." And with a nod Cuthbert went on his way

Mr Saunderson looked after him earnestly, and when the young fellow had vanished in the folding shadows, shook his head and betook himself to his pipe again, sucking strongly

Mr Strangfield's house was a long twenty minutes walk from Greystone school, stepping it briskly, but even if the dust, when the curve was compassed, that drove full in his face had proved no hindrance to Cuthbert, the obnoxiousness of his mission, and the thoughts that it bred tweaking savagely at his nerves, would account for the frequent drag of his pace.

He had passed his trysting-place, and had turned the elbow of the road which laid the town broad under his eye, when the sounds of men's voices came up with the wind, and, in a few moments, he perceived a crowd of persons approaching him. The moon, stooping clear of a pillow-shaped cloud, threw out a full radiance, by which he saw that the crowd was a company of sailors—some ten of them at least—and that they walked in two gangs, one on either side three men, who strode abreast with heads dejectedly hung and their hands pinioned behind them.

"Deserters," thought Cuthbert, stepping aside.

"Stand!" shouted a youthful voice, "in the king's name! Thompson, here is a tog-and-heeler for us. He'll make the complement, and no more sweethearts to break our heads with frying pans."

The word "Stand!" though very forcibly delivered, produced no effect on Cuthbert, who could scarcely credit, indeed, that it was meant for him; and he was passing on when a young man in a cloak stepped in front of him.

"Now, my hantars, turn about! You're wanted."

"Do you address me?" exclaimed Cuthbert so much amazed that he looked behind him, half persuaded that there must be some one there for whom the accost was intended.

"You or the man in the moon, my hearty; whoever is the nearest."

"Suffer me to pass you, sir."

"Now, this is too bad," cried the young fellow, in a mock voice of consolation. "Oaths we are used to, but politeness in a son of a quid is fit for nothing but to get laid on tick with. Stand, I tell you! Damn it, don't you understand king's English?" for Cuthbert was pushing past.

"Make way for me. You are overstepping your duty, or laboring under an error."

"Ay, ay, we always do that. Thompson, give him a sheer to port. We'll argue as we walk."

A bushy-whiskered fellow approached Cuthbert, who sprang back a yard before the outstretched arm.

"Touch me at your peril!" he shouted.

"Come, come, take it coolly, man. All the argufication in the world 'll do no good. The service wants ye, so give us your hand upon it!" With a bound the bushy-whiskered man grasped Cuthbert's arm.

The three pinioned men looked on with a dull interest; the sailors turned their tobacco junks unconcernedly, glancing back at the town or up at the moon, muttering over the wet pull before them.

Cuthbert had one of those nervous systems which, in a fury, make steel of the hand and steam engines of the muscles. His white fist sped, like a snow flake on a rush of wind, right into the band of the man Thompson's brow, and a pigtail wriggled in the dust, and a pair of boots tried to hit the moon.



A pigtail wriggled in the dust.

Now, having done this, had he used his heels, he would have saved himself, for he was of the build for swift running, whereas sailors are bad runners, though decent dancers. But his chivalrous courage, not disdaining flight, for the honorable reason that it never thought of flight, held him rooted, with nostrils quivering and gleaming eyes.

Thompson of the bushy whiskers, gathered himself off the road, and rubbing the bridge of his nose, looked with a cast in his eye at the gentleman in the cloak.

"We want no bloodshed," exclaimed that worthy. "Thompson, Jenkins, here, three of you make his hands fast and bring him along."

This was an order not to be disobeyed under pain of a whipping, willing backs must not be bloodily plowed for boyish obstinacy. So they went with a rush, the dust soared in a cloud as from under the heels of a flying horse. It was a wild fight, a mad resistance, with the harmonizing which the age of Mendoza and the slogger Crabbe made free with. But a sudden blow must end the unfair contest. Down went Cuthbert like a snuff seller's Scotchman under the lurch of a drunken man. In a moment his hands were bound; but his legs declining to exert themselves, he was hoisted on to the shoulders of a couple of stout seamen and the party proceeded smartly up the hill toward the gorge that led to the sea.

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Smethport, Pa., March 25, 1887.

Gov. BEAVER [illegible] the bill which provides an Additional Law Judge for Montgomery county to become a law. With this precedent established we can confidently look for favorable action on a similar bill for this district.

THE President has finally [illegible] to the persons for the Inter State Railroad Commissioners. On [illegible] the following appointments: Thomas M. Cooley of Michigan, Wm. R. Morrison of Illinois, Augustus Schoonmaker of New York, A. Walker of Vermont, and Walter L. Bragg of Indiana.

We don't agree with our Harrisburg correspondent that the Anti-Discrimination bill which passed the [illegible] is what is wanted. There are [illegible] defects in it and a glaring one is the number of Commissioners to be appointed and [illegible] at big salaries. Three Commissioners ought to do the business with entire satisfaction.

OUR esteemed contemporary of Port Allegany thinks it would have been better for the Democrats of this district if the apportionment of two years [illegible]. It is a little difficult to understand why for the district in which McKean was located in the bill which Gov. Pattison vetoed two years ago, is precisely the district designated by the Reporter in its recent issue.

THE Carroll Herald of Iowa, of which our old friend Hungerford is one of the editors, says: "Gerrymandering at best is hardly the proper thing to do, but where it would shelve such a man as Randall it would be fraught with less ruinous results. The truth is that Mr. Randall is only kept in Congress by the meanest kind of a gerrymander. If a constitutional district [illegible] for him he could no more be elected in it than he could be elected to Parliament."

IN talking about the pass question Senator Cullom, [illegible] that he could [illegible] apply to newspaper passes because they were given in nearly every instance in payment for advertising done by the papers for the roads. [illegible] My wife was strongly in favor of the bill [illegible] the Senator, until the night before it was signed. She had never heard of the clause referring to passes until [illegible] our conversation [illegible] that if the bill [illegible] she could not longer [illegible] When I told her it was [illegible] the President with a [illegible]

FREE PASSES.

President Roberts of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company has made public the action by the directors in regard to passes at their meeting on March [illegible]. It recites that the company having been advised by the General Solicitor that the Inter-State Commerce law is intended to prohibit the use of inter-state passes except by officers and employes of railroad companies, the President is therefore directed [illegible] this prohibition into effect on April [illegible] and also to instruct [illegible] officers of railway, bridge and ferry companies embraced in the Pennsylvania system that on and after April [illegible] they shall not issue any passes for the free transportation of persons or special cars from one State into another or into the District of Columbia except for officers or employes of railroad companies.

HIGH LICENSE.

If the High license bill now before the Legislature becomes a law the entrance of any hotel tavern or saloon keeper into his barroom with a light or the keeping of a light burning there for any purpose whatever between midnight and 5 o'clock in the morning, or the mere opening or failure to close the door of his barroom between these hours will be a misdemeanor for which he may be punished with a fine as high as $500 and a maximum imprisonment of one year. The sale or delivery of liquors between those hours need not be proved; the fact of the light being seen in the door being open being evidence. No screen, blind, shutter, partition, painted, ground or stained glass window or any other obstruction which may interfere with a view of the interior of any room where liquor is sold nor any cask, bottle or other vessel in windows of such rooms are permitted under the provisions of the bill. No liquor can be sold in any room other than on the first floor.

No ward, borough or township shall have more than one license to each 200 assessed voters. Selling liquor to a minor or an intoxicated person is made a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of from $50 to $500, and imprisonment of from twenty to ninety days. The admission of a minor into a barroom or other place where liquor is sold unless accompanied by parent or guardian, is made a misdemeanor, punishable by a fine not exceeding $500 and imprisonment not exceeding one year. Officers are to be paid $10 for each conviction for violations of the law reported by them in their districts. The license fee under the law now in force is a uniform one of $50. The proposed law fixes the fee for cities of the first class, which includes Philadelphia, Pittsburgh and Allegheny City, at $500; for all other cities and boroughs, $300; for townships, $150. If the bill becomes a law these fees will practically make rural Pennsylvania as positively a temperance community as any prohibition enactment could make it. The village tavern will become a thing of the past.

THE CHOICE OF McKEAN.

The following report of the meeting of the bar association of this county as to its choice for a candidate for Supreme Judge unquestionably reflects the sentiment of the whole people. There is no man in Pennsylvania more eminently fitted for a seat on the Supreme Bench than Judge Williams, and it is high time that the choice of this section of the State on this subject receive recognition.

At a meeting of the McKean County Bar Association, held in this place on Monday last, the following members were present: B. D. Hamlin, W. W. Brown, John C. Backus, A. Lee Weil, W. R. Chapman, Eugene Mullin, G. W. R. Chapman, D. H. Jack, S. R. Ward, Mc. J. C. Roberts, D. H. Jack, D. Wolff, David Sterrett, H. H. North, J. W. Hastings, W. B. Graves, R. H. Ro[illegible], R. M. [illegible], Sheridan Gorton, W. F. Burdick, T. A. Morrison, John Forrest, W. J. Mc[illegible], John N. Apple, P. Ford, Ernest Koester, [illegible] Keenan, [illegible] A. Sturgeon, [illegible] Wallace, [illegible] Stone, J. W. [illegible], T. W. [illegible]. Upon motion of Hon. W. W. Brown, seconded by Capt. W. P. Chapman, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That this Association in [illegible] of the bar of McKean County and believing that we reflect the sentiments of the people of this county, do earnestly recommend the Hon. H. W. Williams of Tioga county for the seat on the Supreme Bench, soon to be made vacant by the expiration of the term of Chief Justice Mercur.

Judge Williams is thoroughly known to all who have had business in our courts for a long term of years, and we know of his eminent fitness for the place. To this end we pledge ourselves to exert whatever influence we may have to secure his nomination and election.

BYRON D. HAMLIN,
President.
[illegible] ROBERTS,
Secretary.

A TERRIBLE CATASTROPHE.

The Richmond Hotel at Buffalo, a magnificent structure recently built, and several adjoining buildings were destroyed by fire at an early hour on Friday night last. Several of the guests as well as employes, including Mr. M. A. Osborne, the assistant manager of the hotel, perished in the flames and more were injured, some fatally. The sleeping inmates of the hotel were aroused from their beds to find themselves hemmed in by flames. Many jumped or fell from windows or roofs where they had clambered for safety, and were terribly mangled. The bodies of some of the victims were reduced to a crisp and others were so shockingly burned that their recovery is impossible.

The hospitals in Buffalo are filled with the victims and scenes of the most disastrous character are reported.

The loss in money will exceed [illegible], [illegible] which does not [illegible] the individual guests who lost [illegible] jewels, clothing or other valuables.

The hotel was opened for business about a month ago and handsomely fitted and decorated and was filled with guests.

The fire spread with frightful rapidity and the guests rudely awakened from their slumbers to the horrifying [illegible] and other possible avenues of escape. When they saw the flames shutting off their way to the ground their heart [illegible] and blocks [illegible] Ladders [illegible] and a [illegible] number rescued. The hotel burned like tinder, [illegible] the corridor in the centre of the building acting as a great funnel. The fire spread to the Barnum Museum building, and [illegible] on Main street, and the three structures were entirely destroyed.

CONGRESSIONAL APPORTIONMENT.

[illegible] all the Democratic papers of Pennsylvania the Philadelphia Record is the most faithful to Democratic principles and is the only one which dare advocate Free Trade, that cardinal principle of Democratic faith, pure and simple. The Record is not at all pleased with the proposition to make a Congressional District for Mr. Randall and call it Democratic. It denounces the scheme as a fraud on the Democratic party and why is it not equally so on the Republicans? But read what the Record says on this subject.

It would be impossible to cut up the State of Pennsylvania into twenty-eight districts of nearly equal population in all of which there would be a Republican majority. The Apportionment Committee of the Legislature, which has the duty of preparing a scheme, has made as many Republican districts as possible. If we except the Democratic district in Philadelphia that has been arranged for Mr. Randall. Out of the twenty-eight districts the Democrats are to be allowed eight. This result has been effected by an outrageous grouping of counties that give Democratic majorities and by an equally outrageous division of the wards in Philadelphia. Taking the census of 1880 as the standard of measurement the average population in each district should be about 153,000. The Third district as arranged for Mr. Randall in Philadelphia would be 11,000 short of the necessary quota and would have over 83,000 fewer inhabitants than the Fourth district. No other district in the State would have so few inhabitants. The counties are to be gerrymandered to keep Democrats out of Congress and the city is to be gerrymandered to keep Mr. Randall in. A fair division of the city would give the Republicans six districts. A fair division of the State outside of the city—would give the Democrats eleven districts and the Republicans [illegible] seven.

As far as Mr. Randall is concerned he is a standing candidate for Congress, and the Republicans were reduced to a choice of either sending him to Congress as a Democrat or as a Republican. They have concluded to play their old game and send him as a Democrat. This is a perfectly safe proceeding. If a Democrat should be nominated to contest Mr. Randall's seat the solid Republican vote of his district would be thrown for him and he would also receive enough Democratic votes to elect him, precisely as in Congress his action on the pension veto and on revenue measures was supported by the nearly solid strength of the Republicans and by a few recusant Democrats. As Mr. Randall cannot be counted as a Democrat, the Apportionment bill that will probably pass the Legislature will actually give the Democrats seven Congress districts and the Republicans twenty-one. The infamous nature of such legislation needs no further characterization than the bare statement of it. The proposed disfranchisement of the minority party in Pennsylvania would be as complete as it would be possible to make it.

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FROM THE STATE CAPITAL.

(From our own correspondent.)

HARRISBURG, March 21.—The Legislature has been in session for almost eighty days and yet the number of bills passed finally and voted upon by the Governor can be almost counted on the fingers and thumbs of both hands. It is a fair question, however to ask whether the best Legislature is not that one where the fewest laws are enacted. It sometimes seems that one of the greatest troubles in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania is in the fact that we have too many laws on the present on our statute books. The needs of all classes of litigants can be amply met and served by existing laws and it might, perhaps, be a wise departure from all customs of the past if the State Constitution could be amended so that the Legislature might convene once in five or ten years except in cases of emergency.

The bill files of both Houses of the Legislature are well filled with hundreds of proposed laws but such laws as might be beneficial to the State at large are kept way back in the rear and insignificant measures which benefit only special localities are pushed forward to final passage. For instance, the measure that proposes to protect legitimate bankers and banking houses by requiring all such institutions to be subject to stated inspections by examiners is fought at every step of progress by the Shylock and shark bankers who don't want their methods of business exposed. A local bill granting a reward for fox scalps or skunk skins is rushed through because of its great importance to some thinly settled county on the borders of the State. The Revenue bill to fix the taxables of the State so as to provide the cash to run the machinery of government makes slow progress while some special legislation is pushed forward under a suspension of the rules and made a special order and passed finally, or a bill to repeal an old fence law obsolete years ago and passed somewhere about 1700 is pressed to a final passage and executive approval. The Senate has done a fair share of work and has disposed of over one hundred and fifty of its own bills and transmitted them to the House for concurrence where they remain unacted upon. The House has sent to the Senate about fifty bills all of which have been placed on the Senate calendar many of them being considered as they are reached in the daily routine of business. The House has many orators whose records are now in process of being written. The Senate has a few orators but the majority of the Senators are workers.

The Municipal bill for the government of cities below the second class in the preparation of which much time and talent had been spent by representatives in a front [illegible] much intelligence of the various cities of the State to be affected so as to make municipal government uniform in the several grades of cities and thus stop much confusion that now exists has taken on such changes since it reached the Senate that it might without giving offense to its originators and compilers be called a bill to establish such form of government in the cities of the Commonwealth as may be acceptable to the city of Scranton. Many of the cities affected by this legislation are now as clamorous for the defeat of the bill as they were for its passage when it left the House as passed by that body.

The Senate Republican caucus Anti-Discrimination bill is to be a subject of determined resistance in the House where it now is. The attack is partly with the Democrats and the line of operations will be on the Democratic Philadelphia Record Wattres bill. When the caucus measure is at [illegible] left the Senate a week or more ago reaches its amendatory stage in the House with the [illegible] help from certain Republicans section by section of the Record bill is to be substituted for the caucus bill and if successful it will go back to the Senate for concurrence in the House amendments or will go to a conference committee. There is Democratic capital in this and desperate efforts will be taken. Should the Senate accept the House amendments the Anti-Discrimination bill will be claimed as a Democratic measure and the Record will get all the praise and Republicans will be charged with a disregard of its pledges to the people. Should a conference committee fail to amicably settle the differences between the two Houses, no bill at all will be passed and then what a Democratic jollification at Republican expense there will be. The schemes Democratic that are quietly being laid for this bill are many, and the best course for the House which has a two thirds Republican majority, to pursue is to pass the Senate bill just as it left the Senate and as good Republicans redeem the party's pledges. Don't help the Singerly Record bill.

It was expected that the coming week would see the Billingsley bill safely past the lower House, but since the great four days conference of the Standard people and the producers from the oil regions at the Standard's office in New York, we hear little of the measure for cheaper pipeage and storage of oil by the National Transit Company. The talk now in some quarters is that of safe action because a compromise had been reached and there was no longer any necessity for the Billingsley bill. Your correspondent interviewed a number of members of the Legislature on the future of the oil bill. A Standard adherent said, "the compromise has been made necessary by the seeming pertinacity and strength of the friends of the pipeage bill who were unreasonable in their demands. Rather than have this bill passed in any shape a compromise was agreed upon satisfactory alike to the Transit Company and to the producers. The Billingsley bill will now be abandoned." This seemed to be the sentiment of the Standard side of the House. The compromise dodge will be worked for all it is worth. The advocates of the bill before the House do not concede the abandonment of their measure by any means, but add that even though a compromise has been reached that the enactment of the Billingsley measure is a necessity if for nothing else than to clinch the compromise. In reply to several questions by your correspondent, he was told that of all the representative producers present at the New York conference there were less than a half dozen who were not directly connected with the Standard or with the National Transit Company. This is a resume of talk in legislative circles and whichever side is right one thing is certain the Billingsley bill has already brought relief whether it is the full measure of relief that can be given or is required is a question for the future.

As was predicted some weeks ago potent influences in Republican councils were invoked to save Randall's gerrymandered shoe string district in Philadelphia and the Republicans of Philadelphia have yielded. It was boldly boasted some time ago by Democrats that Randall could carry a district in Philadelphia whether the Republicans made one for him or not. It is a great pity the Republicans do not give him a chance to test his popularity with the voters. Maybe he would get left on Republican support.

ALCROFT.

A BILL that is being favorably considered at Harrisburg is one making school boards consist of five members instead of six to prevent dead locks.

OUR WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our regular correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, March 21.—The people of Washington are looking forward to the National Drill which is to take place in May with great interest. At least thirty six States will be represented by some of their best military organizations and all the indications point to a grand affair. The carnival however which it was proposed should take place at the close of the drill has been postponed until October, since it was decided that there would not be sufficient time now before the drill to make the preparations necessary for carrying out a carnival on the magnificent scale that is contemplated.

During the week Washington has had some of those national conventions for which it is famed these days, and with which it is seldom without. The most important probably was held in the lecture hall of the National Museum and was a gathering of pedagogues from all parts of the country. They exchanged experiences and opinions, made speeches and read papers of practical interest and value, discussed industrial education and explained why they met at the National Capital this year and would meet here for many years to come to discuss national questions.

The president of the National Department of Superintendence, Mr. Young of Nevada, after referring to Washington's plan for a national university in this city, said the only aspiration of the last session of Congress seemed to be millions for defense but not one cent for education. Not even the corner stone of Washington's ideal university had been laid. He said there might soon be a demand for a national normal school. The State institutions could not meet the demand for trained teachers. He referred to the work carried on by the [illegible] of the Government and asked if there was any better reason for aiding such science than for promoting the science of pedagogy.

The fate of the Blair bill was referred to as a defeat of the will of the people and the statement was made that there are now six millions of our people who can neither read nor write. This condition would exist until aid was afforded by the gentlemen who assembled at the Capitol. The expenditures for public education in France, Germany, Holland and other countries were cited to prove that there was nothing in their history against government aid to the nation [illegible] science and learning.

Before this letter reaches you the Inter State Commerce commission will probably be completed and the names made known. Yesterday two of the five places were still unfilled and the President was waiting to hear from two men in regard to them. There have been about five or six hundred applications and among them is many Republicans as Democrats. In making his selection of the two Republicans the President it is said has really had a better list to select from than that provided by the applicants of his own party. It is said that the reason why Mr. Cleveland has so long delayed action in the matter is that he has been extremely desirous of making such appointments as will bear all just and fair criticism.

It was declared in debate in Congress that some sections of the Inter State Commerce bill were so vaguely worded that nobody could tell what they meant. It has been discovered that the Agricultural Experiment Station bill although purporting to make an appropriation failed to do so. The regular appropriation bills are found to be full of clauses of doubtful meaning. The Trade Dollar bill was so crude that there was much doubt as to the possibility of its execution. The Anti-Polygamy act also is said to contain some inexplicable provisions but it is not necessary to extend the list to show that the Forty Ninth Congress was guilty of much slovenly legislation. The wording of laws should at least be careful enough to afford the Administrative branch and the people some chance of knowing what the laws for their government means.

The Democrats are divided as to which of a trinity of their leaders is to blame for the failures of the Congress which has just expired. Some blame the President, some blame Speaker Carlisle and most of them blame Mr. Randall the Chairman of the great Appropriations Committee. The latter did all he could to prevent legislation, it is true but he would have been powerless had not Mr. Carlisle exercised his autocratic power to defeat and delay measures proper and necessary to be passed. He could have recognized some one to make a motion to suspend the rules and pass certain measures of pressing importance but he defeated them by refusing to do so and he refused to do so because he was opposed to them.

R.

COLEGROVE AND VICINITY.

Mrs. Searl and daughter, of Troy, Pa., are the guests of Mrs. J. Colegrove.

Any one wishing to engage as sexton of the Union church should apply to the Ladies Aid Society.

The temperance lecture delivered in the church Monday evening was very interesting and the views were excellent.

The Ladies Aid Society will give a supper at the house of M. L. Bartlett on Thursday evening next. The proceeds are to be given to Rev. C. H. Mitchelmore, who preaches here every Sabbath. All are invited.

B.

Colegrove, March 23.

ELDRED ITEMS.

S. A. Cary of Hinsdale, N. Y., is a visitor in Eldred this week.

Miss Eva Martin of Wellsville, will visit for a few weeks in Eldred.

William Ernst of Coudersport called on friends in this place Monday.

Mrs. Eunice Armstrong, of Coudersport, is stopping with friends in Eldred at present.

Mr. and Mrs. Clark Weast had the misfortune to loose their five weeks old baby last Tuesday.

About sixty dollars was realized by the entertainment at the Opera House last week for the benefit of the M. E. parsonage.

The school conducted by Miss Tibbie Moses on the west side of the river closed on Wednesday. The friends and patrons of the school were invited in and were treated to a fine entertainment. The program was well arranged and the selections well rendered. Miss Moses took the school under unfavorable circumstances but she brought order out of chaos, and has been very successful in her efforts to build up a first class school.

G.

Eldred, March 20.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

SHERIFF'S SALE.

BY VIRTUE OF A WRIT OF LEVARI FACIAS issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of McKean County, Pa., and to me directed, I will expose at public sale on the premises in the city of Bradford, Pa., on

MONDAY, APRIL [illegible], 1887, AT [illegible] P. M.

The defendant's interest in all that certain piece, parcel or tract of land situate, lying and being in Bradford city, McKean county, Pennsylvania, and bounded and described as follows, to-wit: Commencing at a point seventy seven feet north from the north line of Boylston street in the east line of land conveyed unto the said John B. Myers by D. C. Hewitt and Hannah Hewitt, his wife, by deed bearing date the 13th day of March, A. D. 1885 and recorded in the office for the recording of deeds &c. in and for McKean county, Pennsylvania, in deed book [illegible], thence northerly along [illegible] said line a distance of fifty-eight feet to the southern line of land of Mrs. Jane Brice, thence [illegible] along the southern line of land of Mrs. Jane Brice a distance of twenty-six feet, thence [illegible] a line parallel to the aforesaid east line a distance of fifty-eight feet and thence [illegible] a line running parallel with the southern line of the land conveyed as aforesaid to the said John B. Myers by D. C. Hewitt and Hannah Hewitt, [illegible] a distance of twenty-six feet to the place of beginning, but keeping [illegible] reserving nevertheless [illegible] of [illegible] feet for an alley way and alley way purposes, off the western side of said piece parcel or tract of land [illegible] width and running the entire length of the said west line [illegible] the said piece, parcel or tract of land [illegible] the same [illegible] conveyed [illegible] the said Charles H. Myers by the said John B. Myers and wife by deed bearing even date herewith. Improvements [illegible]

Seized taken in execution and will be sold as the property of Charles H. Myers at suit of John B. Myers for use of Bovaird & Seyfang.

[illegible] Att'y. A. F. BANNON, Sheriff.

Sheriff's office, Smethport, Pa., March [illegible], 1887.

Notice.

In the matter of the petition of [illegible] ... In the Court of Common Pleas of McKean County. [illegible]

[illegible] on the petition of [illegible] B. Armstrong and W. D. Gallup, representing [illegible] parcels in the [illegible] Keating [illegible] McKean county [illegible] Keating [illegible] Bean [illegible] and Nancy B. Bean [illegible] Nathan Barrett [illegible] and Nancy B. Bean his wife [illegible]

BY THE COURT.

[illegible] McKEAN COUNTY SS. [illegible]

[illegible] Prothonotary.

Smethport, Pa., March 24, 1887.

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March 12, 1886-ly.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

BY VIRTUE OF A WRIT OF ALIAS FIERI Facias, issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of McKean County, Pa., and to me directed, I will expose at public sale on the premises in the city of Bradford on

MONDAY, MARCH 28, 1887, AT 2 O'P. M.

The defendants' interest in all that certain piece, parcel or lot of land situate in the city of Bradford, county of McKean and state of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at a post where right of way of the O. B. & W. R. R. intersects the 33-foot roadway, on the west side of certain land owned by John J. McKinney & Co. [illegible] and others in the city of Bradford, Pa., thence northward along the east side of said roadway three hundred and forty-eight (348) feet more or less; thence east to the right of way of the O. B. & W. R. R. and thence along said right of way of the O. B. & W. R. R. to the place of beginning, and having thereon one large frame warehouse and office about 190 feet long and landing platform about one hundred feet long.

Seized, taken in execution and will be sold as the property of J. W. Humphrey, A. A. Aspin, [illegible] J. W. Humphrey & Co., at suit of The First National Bank of Franklinville, N. Y.

Stone & Weil, Plff's Att'y. A. F. BANNON, Sheriff.

Sheriff's office, Smethport, Pa., March 8, 1887.

Court Proclamation.

The Hon. A. G. OLMSTED, President Judge of the court of oyer and terminer and general jail delivery, quarter sessions of the peace, orphans' and court of Common Pleas for the county of McKean, has issued his precept, bearing date Friday, March 4th 1887, and to me directed for holding a court of common pleas at the borough of Smethport, on Tuesday, the 5th day of April 1887, and to continue one week.

Dated at Smethport, Mar. 8th 1887, and in the 111th year of the Independence of the United States of America.

A. F. BANNON, Sheriff.

Administrator's Notice.

LETTERS testamentary on the estate of John Martin, late of Keating township, McKean county, Pennsylvania, deceased, have been granted to Simon Martin and Elizabeth G. Hafner residing in said county, to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment and those having claims or demands will make known the same without delay.

SIMON MARTIN, Administrator.
ELIZABETH G. HAFNER, Administratrix.
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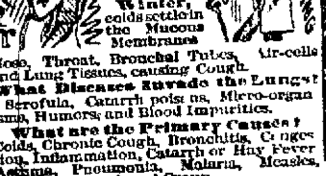
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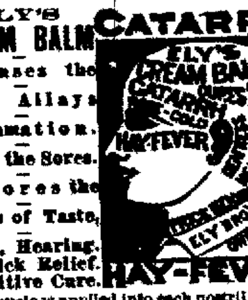
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Let now Mayor Wright, if you please.

The population of Smethport is rapidly on the increase.

Stark & Frye are putting up a shingle mill near their grist mill on Water street.

The maple sugar makers have not had a very good season for their business.

The street lamps were lit on Monday evening for the first time since last fall.

The Mercantile Appraisement list occupies considerable space in to-day's MINER.

There were Free Methodist services held at the Baptist church on Sunday afternoon last.

H. W. Rubin has put up two neat metallic signs in front of his clothing store on Main street.

E. C. Stover, of Bradford, was recently granted a patent for an elevator for sucker rods.

Wm. Glavin has moved his shoe shop into Ev. Chadwick's building, next to Wells' drug store.

The average Bradfordian is rejoicing over the fact that the price on tobacco has taken a tumble.

The weather doors have been removed from in front of our hotels ready for the warm weather season.

We cannot say that we admire the make-up of the editorial page of last week's Port Allegany *Reporter*.

Bradford Post 141, G. A. R., will give a grand military ball at Orpheus Hall in that city on the evening of April 11.

Our townsman L. S. Gleason, Esq., was an eye witness of the disastrous Richmond Hotel fire at Buffalo last week.

The span of mules driven before Stickney & Co's delivery wagon attracts considerable attention owing to their diminutive size.

Mr and Mrs. F. E. Brooks will occupy rooms fitted up for them in the ... studio the first door east of L. W. Mason's hardware store.

Our Emporium neighbors not satisfied with having first-class water works in the near future, are now talking quite strongly of an electric light plant.

The donation at the Baptist parsonage last Thursday evening, for the benefit of Rev. C. H. Mitchelmore, was a very pleasant affair. Nearly one hundred dollars was realized.

We commence to-day the publication of one of the very best serials that has yet appeared in the columns of the MINER, entitled "Forced Apart," by W. Clark Russel. Do not fail to read the opening chapters.

The Buffalo *XYZ Amendment*, a third party organ, has been sold to satisfy a mortgage for $630. W. H. H. Barham, who stumped this county last fall in the interest of a third party, was the editor of the sheet.

When the Salvation Army in Lock Haven halted in front of a saloon the other day and began singing the lines, "It is water we want, not beer," the saloonkeeper, an obliging fellow, turned the hose on them.

The boarding house of Mr. Fox, father of Mrs. E. S. McCarty, of this place, was swept away by the disastrous fire at Chautauqua Lake on Monday last. We understand that Mr. Fox had no insurance on his property.

"Thirty years ago Mr Beecher applied for a life policy and was asked the usual question as to the health of his heart. His answer read: "Experienced a peculiar feeling about the heart during the days of my courtship."

The sun crossed the line on Sunday last, and as the wind was in the south at the time, that can be considered the prevailing wind for the next six months. Providing, however, that the weather prophets tell us the truth.

There are two or three holes in the sidewalk between Abbey's store and Franklin street that should be repaired before some one breaks a leg in them. A stitch in time in this instance may save some body a big bill of expense.

It is not necessary for any one to take exception to a local item calling attention to any evil that may exist in a community, unless the coat fits, and then it would be better to put the garment on and keep quiet about it, and try and so deport themselves in the future that the newspapers will have no cause to throw out hints for a reformation.

—There will be a sugar party at the residence of L. S. Gleason, on Mill street, this (Friday) evening.

—John Baker & Sons have started up their planing mill on Water street. See advertisement in another column.

—Our Alton correspondent's letter did not reach us until Thursday noon, and consequently was crowded out this week.

—Tim Kinney, of Marvin creek, still continues to convince us that superior apples can be grown in Hamlin township.

—One of the surest indications of spring is to see our agricultural implement dealers explaining to a crowd of tillers of the soil the good points in the different plows they are handling. This indication beats the old weather prophet all hollow.

—Paul Hamlin purchased of Dr. Pierce a very pretty full nickel plated Ideal bicycle this week. After half an hour's careful teaching by the agent, he could ride without assistance. Not long after he was seen riding home at good speed.

—Those who were lucky enough to be present at the sugar festival at the residence of Wm. Haskill, on Friday evening of last week, report a delightful time. The Ladies' Aid Society of the Methodist church realized about $25 by the evening's entertainment.

—William Bush, the Elk county murderer who was to have shuffled off the mortal coil by means of a rope at Ridgway, to-day (Thursday), has been respited until April 7. This action was taken at a meeting of the Board of Pardons, at Harrisburg, Tuesday last.

—Geo. Brownell has in successful operation at Brownell Bros. store an improved chestnut bell. And the way George calls down a person who is in the act of getting off an ancient chestnut is refreshing to behold. George should have got his bell on the market before the hunting season closed.

—L. S. Gleason, of the reliable harness making firm of Gleason & Lemmler of this place, returned last week from Buffalo with a full line of handmade harness—both double and single—which they are offering at astonishingly low prices. Call at their establishment and see the bargains they are offering.

—The many friends throughout the county of Jerry Riley, of Eldred township, will be surprised and pained to learn of the death of that gentleman, which event occurred on the morning of the 12th inst. It is supposed that death was caused by heart disease. The deceased leaves a wife and a large family of children to mourn their loss.

—The Olean Literary Society (colored) gave a most delightful entertainment, consisting of select readings, recitations, music, etc., on Tuesday evening of last week. A number of invited guests were present from outside towns including Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Sturdivent and Miss Emma D. Gayton of this place. The refreshments were of the choicest and most character.

—C. E. Haviland, the well known commercial traveler, died suddenly last week at his home in Hamburg, Erie county, N. Y. The news of the death of this genial and big hearted man will be received by his host of admirers and friends in this county with sorrow. Almost everyone in this section knew Mr. Haviland, who by his rich fund of humor and winning ways made friends on every hand. The world can illy spare such men.

—The Emporium *Press* will undertake to run its press with a water motor on the completion of the water works system in that town. Before brother Gould sets his heart too strongly on the luxury in the shape of a motor it would be well for him to see first whether the pressure of water is strong enough to run his machinery. A water motor is a fine thing in a printing office, but in order to be useful it is very important that there should be a strong and even pressure of water.

—We are informed by an exchange that cats are fond of young chicks, ducks and turkeys. For fear that some of our fancy chicken raisers are not aware of this fact we give this bit of startling news for their especial benefit. Maybe the plagued cat would just as soon feast on a good, plump canary bird as a young chick. If so, the good housewives of our glorious country should see to it that their bird cages hang high. When cats get to eating chickens there is surely trouble brewing, and no mistake.

—On Friday morning last the friends of C. E. Vosberg, the young man from Warren who died in the Bradford lockup on the 13th of last January, caused the arrest of Officer Trucks, the man who placed Vosberg in the cell, on the charge of manslaughter. It is claimed by the young man's friends that Trucks used undue violence in making the arrest and in placing Vosberg in the lockup, from which he died during the night. Officer Trucks came before the court in this place on Monday last and entered bail for his subsequent appearance to answer to the charges brought against him.

—The trio who cracked the gas company's safe at Kane, on Monday night last, were handed over to the keeping of Sheriff Bannon on Tuesday. Mr. Higgins, one of the number, turns out to be M. P. Gist, a tinner, well known in this place, Eldred and Port Allegany. Chas. Brown is Tom Hughes, an old oil country offender who was sent to the penitentiary during Sheriff Sartwell's term of office. John Burns is another chap of unsavory reputation in the oil country. Dan Mathews, Kane's wide-awake constable, captured the gang at West Kane, and brought them to jail, accompanied by High Constable John Ugley.

—The Eldred *Eagle* says that D. J. Keyes, Esq., is prepared to do a land office business this year in the maple sugar line, if the weather will only permit. He has some three hundred trees tapped at the present time, but as yet has not made very much sugar or syrup, but what has been made has been of the best, as those who attended the party, at the Opera House last night, can testify, as well as ourselves. His sugar bush is equipped with all of the modern appliances for sugar making, such as syrup cans, sap pans and buckets and patent spouts, this enabling him to do the most in the shortest time and with the least trouble.

—Mem. for would-be newspaper critics. Col. R. T. ... allard, in his recent address at ... annual convention of the National ... Protective Fraternity, said ... if the manuscripts of speeches, sermons, law arguments, scientific, or professional papers were printed as they come to the printers' hands, seven in ten of the great reputations would be wrecked, the educators of the land, the very teachers of the grammar schools, not excepted. There is something in the process of the handling of types, of reading copy, of correcting proofs, that begets an aptitude that no other instruction can give. The mind is so trained that it detects errors in style, expression, and rhythm in composition, as the trained ear discovers discords in music. The printer is, after all, the real protector of literary reputation."

A Lady Candidate.

The name of Mrs. E. E. Brown, of Rixford, has been named in connection with the County Superintendency, and we are informed that the several school boards in the section of the county in which she lives will present her name to the May convention of school directors for that position. There is no question about Mrs. Brown's eminent fitness for the place. She is one of the oldest and most competent teachers in the county, and directors would make no mistake in electing her. The following communication, which appeared in the Bradford *Era* a few days since, we gladly publish at the request of friends of the lady:

EDITOR *Era*: I see by an article in the morning *Era* of the 14th inst. that Mrs. E. E. Brown, of Rixford, is announced as a candidate for the office of County Superintendent of Public Schools. Having been personally acquainted with Mrs. Brown during the past seven years, five of which she was a successful teacher in the public schools of the city of Bradford, and during which time I was a member of the Board of Control, I take pleasure in recommending her to the suffrages of the members of the several boards of school directors throughout the county as a person eminently qualified for the position, both from an educational point of view and also by reason of her practical knowledge of teaching in all grades, from the highest to the lowest. Mrs. Brown holds a certificate from the Superintendent of Public Schools of the State of Michigan, also a permanent certificate from the Superintendent of Public Schools of Pennsylvania. She has been a successful teacher for the past thirty years, and is fully up with the times in all the requirements of teaching and training the young. I am confident there could be no better selection in the county to fill that responsible office.

ALBERT DEGOLIER.

PERSONAL MENTION.

We would deem it a favor if those having friends visiting in this place would notify us by postal or by leaving a notice at this office.

Hon. W. W. Brown, of Bradford, was in town Wednesday.

Lawyer Blackmarr, of Meadville, was in attendance at court this week.

Hon. J. W. Lee, of Bradford, was in attendance at court this week.

Hon. H. W. Williams, of Wellsboro, is holding court here this week.

Hon. S. P. Johnson, of Warren, was in attendance upon court this week.

Hon. R. B. Stone, of Bradford, was attending court the forepart of the week.

Hon. M. F. Elliott, of Wellsboro, attended court here a few days this week.

J. S. Cotton, Esq., of Eldred, was a pleasant caller at this office on Wednesday.

E. L. Nicholson, of Ceres, was one of the jurymen at this court. He took his honors easy.

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Young returned on Wednesday from a two weeks' visit to New York city.

Gen. S. M. Bailey, late State Treasurer, was a guest at the Wright House Wednesday last.

J. J. Robarts of Ceres and his brother, W. G., of Eldred, gave us the light of their countenances on Monday.

E. A. Barden, one of Eldred's most successful young business men, made us a short call while in town on Saturday last.

Ev Chadwick, of the Hotel Chadwick, Larrabee, was shaking hands with his numerous Smethport friends on Wednesday last.

Frankie, the little son of Thos. Purtle, who has been dangerously ill with inflammation of the lungs during the past week, is improving.

Mrs. Jennie White and J. T. Wells, of Fort Erie, Canada, are visiting their brothers, Dr. S. I. and H. C. Wells, in this borough.

Mrs. J. Edgar Wescott, eldest daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Bradley, accompanied by her son, of Milford, Ills., are visiting at the M. E. parsonage.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Bradley, who have been visiting their parents in this place the past few days, returned to their home in Portville, N. Y., on Wednesday.

W. W. Bell, cashier of the 1st National Bank, and J. E. Haskell, of Bradford, spent a portion of the week in Smethport. They seem to enjoy being witnesses.

New lot of Florida Oranges just received at D. C. Young's.

ONE car load of choice Timothy and Clover seed just received at W. D. Gallup's.

—Trunks and valises as cheap as can be got anywhere, at Gleason & Lemmler's. A complete stock to select from.

Methodist Episcopal Church.

Services conducted by the pastor. Subject for morning service. "The New Birth, its Nature and Necessity." Subject in the evening: "What is Truth."

Baptist Church.

Subject for Sunday morning's discourse "Paul's Theory of Preaching." Evening. "Problem of Joy and Suffering." The pastor, Rev. C. H. Mitchelmore, will preach at Colegrove at 3 P. M.

Ladies, Look Here!

Just received 30 dozen Jerseys—plain and bouclé cloth for ladies and misses—plain, pleated and vest fronts.

STICKNEY & CO., East Smethport.

THE ladies of Smethport and vicinity will be glad to learn that Mrs. Nash is now in New York making selections of spring millinery, and other goods in her line. It would be advisable to make no purchases before looking over her stock which will soon be here.

Sabbath Observance.

The above department of the N. W. C. T. U. request all Christian ministers and churches to set apart the first week in April for special Sabbath work, and ask the pastors to preach a sermon on "Sabbath Observance" the first Sunday in April, also that the Fourth Commandment be repeated in the Sabbath schools, and a brief address given on the subject.

COMMUNICATED.

KANE, Pa., March 19, 1887.

EDITOR MINER—*Dear Sir:*—I have been informed that some one has set afloat the report that the school board of this (Wetmore) township would not support me as a board at the coming election for County Superintendent. I would like to say through the columns of your paper, that, since hearing the above report, I have been assured in the strongest terms by every member of the board that the report is false, and that they intend to vote solid for me.

I am, very truly,
W. P. ECKELS.

A Practical Invention.

A very ingenious and apparently practical invention was shown us in Harrisburg by the patentee, E. L. Dunkles, of Wyalusing, Bradford county, Pa., at present an officer in the Senate.

The invention is an improved thill-coupling which entirely overcomes the liability to accident from loss of burr or bolt and cannot become detatched while the horse is hitched to the vehicle. It appears to promise much more service than the old coupling as it has several times more wearing surface with very little, if any, increase of weight. It can be instantly adjusted and the device which acts as a perfect anti-rattler takes up all the wear and is a direct tension against the jar from the bottom of the wheel. In short the coupling as a whole and in detail has just claim to the greatest durability, perfect safety and unrivaled ease of adjustment, and often elicits the remark, "Why was not that thought of before."

OBITUARY.

We copy the following notice of the death of Wm. P. Wernwag from the Philadelphia *Ledger* of Saturday last. It will interest many of our readers with whom Mr. Wernwag was well and favorably known.

William P. Wernwag, of the firm of Wernwag & Dawson, importers and commission merchants, 242 and 244 Chestnut street, and 45 Leonard street, New York, died on Wednesday evening at the Aldine Hotel. Mr. Wernwag's illness began with an attack of pneumonia eight weeks ago. The deceased was a native of this city, and has been actively engaged in business from early manhood. For many years he was associated with his brother, Theodore Wernwag. Upon the retirement of Theodore to engage in banking, the present firm of Wernwag & Dawson was formed by the admission of T. Russell Dawson. Mr. Wernwag was about fifty years of age and leaves a wife and son.

ELEGANT lot of spring and summer dress goods, suiting, etc., just received at D. C. Young's.

ONE car load of choice Timothy and Clover seed just received at W. D. Gallup's.

ONE of every five we meet has some form of heart disease and is in constant danger of sudden death. Dr. Kilmer's ocean-weed heart remedy regulates, corrects and cures. Price 25 cents a bottle.

For Thirty Dollars

You can secure a hand-made double harness at Gleason & Lemmler's. For a little more money you can get a better one. Don't fail to call and see stock.

I WISH to announce to the people of Smethport and vicinity, that I have secured the services of a first-class painter in connection with my carriage works and am prepared to do the best of work. Give me a call.
B. D. AMES,
Water street, Smethport, Pa.

—Love's Comedy Company presented Waifs and Strays to a good-sized and appreciative audience at the Opera House Wednesday evening. The Siege of Vicksburg, a great military drama, will be presented this (Thursday) evening by the same company.

COLDS yield to onions like magic, but Dr. Bell's Cough Syrup is a still better and by far more agreeable means of curing a cold or cough. You can buy a bottle for 25 cents at any drug store, and we are sure it will do the work every time.

A Talk About Bicycling.

DR. BLACKHAM BEFORE THE ACADEMY OF SCIENCE.

Dr. George E. Blackham, of Dunkirk, spoke before the Academy of Science, on Monday evening, on "The Bicycle and Tricycle as Factors in our Civilization." Dr. Blackham is an enthusiastic bicyclist. He opened his address with the statement that the amusements of a people are at once an index of their rise and fall. He continued with a review of the history of the bicycle and the improvements which have been gradually added to the machine, changing it from the heavy, cumbersome one at first used to the light and rapid ones now in general use. He described the gradual introduction of the wheel into this country, and then spoke of the physical effects of cycling. He said:

"Bicycles afford incomparably the best and most agreeable form of exercise yet devised—better than gymnasia, health lifts, etc., in that they take the cycler out of doors into the pure, fresh air and sunshine, better than walking, rowing, or horseback riding, in that they exercise more muscles more evenly and gently. With their hollow backbone forks and felloes and delicate wire spokes their weight is reduced to a minimum without sacrifice of strength; with their exquisite anti-friction bearings, friction is almost abolished, and with their spider wheels, rubber tires, and spring-supported saddles the jar of riding over the inequalities of the roadway is neutralized, and the happy possessor of a good, modern bicycle may speed along over a fair road at his ease, making about three times the speed of walking with less than half the exertion. The idea that the muscles of the legs are only developed by cycling is a very common and exceedingly erroneous one. In point of fact, nearly every muscle in the body is brought into gentle use. The lungs draw in deeper inspirations of pure air; the heart beats fuller, quicker, and more freely, and sends the blood more rapidly to be aerated and thence onward to the remotest capillaries, renewing and recreating every nerve and muscle-cell; the tired brain is relieved of its weary load of surplus blood, and the happy cycler returns from his run of five, 10, or 20 miles refreshed and rested, with an appetite and digestion like a wood-chopper, and a capability for sweet and restful sleep that goes only with a clear conscience and a healthy body.

"The Pharmacopœia contains no tonic, blood purifier, and hypnotic at all comparable for agreeableness and efficiency to the combination of steel and rubber of a good bicycle. I know whereof I speak, for I rode my wheel out of the valley of the shadow of cerebral exhaustion and insomnia into excellent health.

"The tricycle, though neither so graceful nor swift as the bicycle, is equally excellent in its effects upon the physical health, and is, I am satisfied, the form of exercise for delicate women, being extremely beneficial to many to whom the jar of walking is unendurable torture. I know of cases of spinal irritation, so-called, that could not bear even short walks and so failed of needed exercise, that improved so much through riding the tricycle that their health is now perfect, and they have made long tricycle runs—50 miles in a single day in one case—and are able to walk 5 or 10 miles at a time without undue fatigue. Of course, like all other human devices, the wheel is capable of abuse. Foolish boys, who will persist in riding wheels too large for them, may suffer strains in consequence. Young enthusiasts who indulge in racing—that bane of athletics, that intemperance of exercise—may, and often do, suffer heart-strain in reward for their foolishness; but the number thus injured is utterly insignificant in comparison to those who are benefitted. In a strictly moral sense, the wheel has a good influence. It insists upon sobriety upon the part of the rider, its races, foolish as they are, are at least free from the curse of the book-maker and the poolseller.

"Here in Rochester, where wheelmen have always been freely given the rights they have had to struggle for in many other places, where many of the most graceful and skillful riders in the country are grouped in the Rochester and Genesee Bicycle Clubs, where Messrs. Kaufman and Barber have made Breitman's ironical dream of a one-wheeled velocipede a practical reality—here, where the wheel has long been in use and its excellence are well known, there is but little need of an advocate of cycling. Yet I may hope to have shown to some who have not given the matter much thought, that the bicycle and tricycle are of use for business and for pleasure, for health and for morals in social and political life, and thus are factors, and benevolent factors, in our civilization."—*Rochester Herald*.

F. C. PIERCE, Agent.

THERE are two forms of chronic rheumatism, one in which the joints are swollen and red without fever, and the appetite and digestion good, in the other joints are neither red nor swollen, but only stiff and painful. In either form Salvation Oil may be relied on to effect a cure. It kills pain. Price 25 cents a bottle.

D. C. YOUNG has just returned from New York, where he purchased a large stock of new goods which he is receiving daily. He has the largest and best selected stock in the town or township and wants it distinctly understood that he will not be undersold.

ONE car load of choice Timothy and Clover seed just received at W. D. Gallup's.

A Hand-Made Single Harness for $8

And up, at Gleason & Lemmler's. Call early and secure a bargain.

ANNIN ANTICS.

A. J. Davie is quite sick.

Mrs. O. D. Evans is visiting friends in Norwich.

John Cooper is the happy father of a boy baby.

Choir meetings are held in the Baptist church every Saturday night.

The people of this place are very anxious that Miss F. E. Kincaid will teach our summer school.

The people of this place are well pleased with the benefits they are receiving from the mineral water.

Eugene Robinson, of Turtle Point, had the misfortune to lose two of his fingers while working in the mill.

Rev. E. H. Hovey, pastor of the Baptist church at this place, talks to the people of Bells' Run every two weeks in the evening.

JAKE.

FROM ANOTHER CORRESPONDENT.

Cold weather.

Russell Carter is very sick.

Sugar-making has commenced.

F. K. Winship's child is very sick.

W. Hannon has returned to Whitesville, N. Y.

The select school at Turtle Point is now in session.

D. C. Winship is slowly recovering from his recent injuries.

A guest arrived at the residence of R. R. Holcomb Sunday last. It is a boy.

John Evens, of Norwich, spent a few days in town last week, the guest of his son, Orrin.

Frances Kincaid has closed her school in this place and has returned to her home in Olean, N. Y.

Jesse Finch, of Richburg, N. Y., accompanied by his two sisters, have been visiting friends in this place.

ZOO.

Annin, March 22.

All Medical Authorities

Agree that catarrh is no more nor less than an inflammation of the lining membrane of the nasal air passages. Nasal catarrh and all catarrhal affection of the head are not diseases of the blood, and it is a serious mistake to treat them as such. No conscientious physician ever attempts to do so. It is held by eminent medical men that sooner or later a specific will be found for every disease from which humanity suffers. The facts justify us in assuming that for catarrh at least a positive cure already exists in Ely's Cream Balm.

ITCH and Scratches of every kind cured in 30 minutes by Woodford's Sanitary Lotion. Use no other. This never fails. Sold by A. B. Armstrong, druggist, Smethport, Pa. vol33no33-y1

MARRIED.

BROOKS—KING.—On Wednesday the 23d inst., at the residence of the bride's parents, by the Rev. J. H. McCandless, Rowena Janette King, daughter of Robert King, Esq., of Smethport, Pa., to Frank Edmund Brooks, of Smethport.

MERCANTILE APPRAISEMENT.

The Venders of FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC MERCHANDISE, BREWERS AND BROKERS, AND KEEPERS OF RESTAURANTS, AND BILLIARD TABLES, ETC., IN THE COUNTY OF M'KEAN AND STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA WILL TAKE NOTICE THAT THEY ARE APPRAISED AND CLASSED BY THE UNDERSIGNED, APPRAISER OF MERCANTILE AND OTHER LICENSE TAXES FOR THE YEAR 1887, AS FOLLOWS, to-wit:

CLASS.		TAX.
	Annin Township.	
	Turtle Point.	
14	Champlin Bros	$7 75
14	J B Colcord	7 75
14	S E Cooper	7 75
14	Philip Friebee	7 75
14	F R Varney	7 75
14	J Cremin	7 75
14	D E Rooney	7 75
14	G W Taylor	7 75
	Bradford Township.	
	Custer City.	
13	Wilbur Bros	10 75
14	W J Chesney	7 75
14	L Petkin	7 75
	Billiards.	
	Albert Stahl, 2 tables	30 75
	Degolia.	
14	B E Bryner	7 75
	Song Bird.	
14	N D Kinsman	7 75
14	J R Carnahan	7 75
	Clark's Corners.	
14	G H Webb	7 75
14	P Soevyn	7 75
	Pedler.	
	John Langrick, 2 horses	25 75
	Bradford City.	
13	A Kahn	10 75
12	S Auerbaim	13 25
14	Boggs & Curtis	7 75
10	E Rosenberg	20 75
12	H Cohn	13 25
12	J Elaskey	13 25
10	G M Fisher & Co	20 75
13	G A Groves	10 75
14	J M Siegfried	7 75
14	G Gartelia & Co	7 75
13	Wentworth & Co	10 75
13	D F Rosenberg	10 75
14	L M Broch	7 75
14	H Freidenberg	7 75
13	Harry Levi	10 75
11	Rich & Robinson	13 75
11	L Goldstein	15 75
12	H Sondheim	13 25
13	DuBois & Newell	10 75
13	Leonard & Blair	10 75
14	Zook & Co	7 75
14	Beatty & Derby	7 75
14	F Marks	7 75
12	B Fardonski	13 25
13	T B Brown	10 75
13	W M Keeler	10 75
12	Applebee & Fischer	13 25
7	Oil Well Supply Co., Limited	40 75
13	E Michael	10 75
13	Stearns & Minnigan	10 75
14	Fred Ford	7 75
14	Isaac Marks	7 75
14	A Lino	7 75
14	J Kreinson	7 75
14	J M Lawson & Co	7 75
14	Nusbaum & O'Connor	7 75
13	McEvoy Bros	10 75
12	Greenwald & Co	13 25
14	Hevener Bros	7 75
14	J W Ruble	7 75
14	W S Robison	7 75
14	J A Waldo	7 75
14	J S Fisher & Co	7 75
14	S L Koonce	7 75
14	H C Murray	7 75
13	I Bullock	10 75
14	A Gordinier & Sons	7 75
14	T C Flanigan	7 75
13	Bradford Coal Co	10 75
14	Bradford Beef Co	7 75
14	E J McComb & Co	7 75
14	J C Hughes	7 75
12	Applebee, Fischer & Co	13 25
14	R G Carrier	7 75
14	C Spangler	7 75
14	F N Merriam	7 75
14	Bradford Iron & Metal Co	7 75
9	Bradford Stove Co	25 75
12	Jarecki M'f'g Co	13 25
14	R W Carroll	7 75
14	Neely & Co	7 75
12	D T Seeley	13 25
12	Geo W Tift & Co	13 25
14	Hirst & Co	7 75
13	R T Shaw	10 75
14	R Nichols, agent	7 75
14	C Gordella & Co	7 75
14	Union Pacific Co	7 75
14	C H Norton	7 75
14	C L Bradburn	7 75
13	Miss H E Morrison	10 75
14	D T Drew	7 75
14	F Cohen	7 75
14	J B Cross	7 75
14	Sallaberry & Co	7 75
14	Wilson & Brennaman	7 75
12	E E Townsend	13 25
14	A R Stewart	7 75
14	Singer Sewing Machine Co	7 75
14	Harrington Bros	7 75
14	Weaver Bros	7 75
14	W Schopperle	7 75
12	Goodman, Wolfe & Meinlein	13 25
14	C F Genthner	7 75
14	P Frank	7 75
14	Allen Park	7 75
14	Brown Bros	7 75
14	J K Merriam	7 75
13	S G Boyne	10 75
12	Marks Bros	13 25
14	D Whitstone	7 75
6	L Emery, Jr., & Co	50 75
10	J C Flynn	20 75
14	J B McElwaine	7 75
14	M Forst	7 75
11	D Hirshfield	15 75
13	Solomon & Co	10 75
14	I Kahn	7 75
13	Brennan & Davis	10 75
11	Thompson & Wood	15 75
14	A Galland	7 75
13	D O Donnell	10 75
13	H C Sanderson	10 75
11	C Samuels	15 75
14	Smith Bros	7 75
14	Mrs M A Farthing	7 75
14	A Mayer & Co	7 75
14	M Levine	7 75
13	C T Hamilton	10 75
14	J B Fox	7 75
14	C E Hampson	7 75
14	L Luthers	7 75
14	H Tuthill	7 75
14	Webster's Undertaking Co	7 75
14	C Gall	7 75
14	J Heckel	7 75
14	G G Bennett	7 75
14	I Bilch	7 75
14	J A Butterfield	7 75
14	W C Davis	7 75
14	J E Houghwot	7 75
14	McDowell & Bros	7 75
14	E McKnight	7 75
14	Flannagan Bros	7 75
14	Chautauqua County Butter Co	7 75
14	J Healy	7 75
14	S Orange & Co	7 75
14	N W McCourt	7 75
14	B Frank	7 75
14	S Howard	7 75
12	K Berwald	13 25
12	P Nusbaum	13 25
14	Bodine & Walker	7 75
14	S G Codlo	7 75
14	Fisher & Son	7 75
14	A H Shogert, agent	7 75
14	W J Long	7 75
14	J F Leonard & Co	7 75
14	Chamberlain & Co	7 75
14	A Joseph	7 75
14	P Fragner	7 75
13	E J Cross	10 75
13	N B Hoop	10 75
14	F A Kent	7 75
14	D W White	7 75
14	J A Hunt	7 75
14	J Nusbaum	7 75
14	A T Harrington	7 75
14	J B Smith	7 75
14	S G Elliott	7 75
14	T W Cole	7 75
14	B A Pier	7 75
11	E P Wilcox	15 75
11	Terrell Bros	15 75
14	E W Allen	7 75
14	Young & Casterline	7 75
14	A Ballard	7 75
14	O R McIntyre	7 75
14	D F H McDowell	7 75
14	Morris & Lane	7 75
14	M L Pomeroy	7 75
14	J W Fritts	7 75
14	M Hamilton	7 75
14	J F Hubbard	7 75
12	Russell & Schenck	13 25
14	Kennedy, Miller & Co	7 75
14	L Cushing	7 75
14	M J Foster	7 75
14	C C Kimball & Co	7 75
13	Eowaird & Seyfang	10 75
14	A Foster, manager	7 75
14	Shearer & Hicks	7 75
14	J W Buble	7 75
14	Bradford G L & H Co	7 75
14	S Orange	7 75
14	T Gallaher	7 75
	Oil Brokers.	
	W G Gray	30 75
	E Durham	30 75
	H C Brooks	30 75
	W Powers	30 75
	F P Atkinson	30 75
	J E Haskell	30 75
	H A Morlin	30 75
	A E Walker	30 75
	C Huntley	30 75
	Oil Dealers.	
11	E Trobro	15 75
13	J A Johnson	10 75
13	H Docker	10 75
14	D Hannah	7 75
14	Ira Wagner	7 75
14	J Gromly	7 75
13	C P Landerath	10 75
12	E F Howell	13 25
13	W B H Fichian	10 75
13	E Boyer	10 75
14	S E Kolph	7 75
13	D P Brooks	10 75
13	H P Ford	10 75
14	H Wall	7 75
11	J S Patterson	15 75
14	T E McGray	7 75
14	W C McMilan	7 75
13	Heman Janes	10 75
14	Gustave Herz	7 75
14	E N Halloch	7 75
14	John Cochran	7 75
14	J E Cochran	7 75
14	J H Conant	7 75
14	Geo Charsboro	7 75
13	H Barnum	10 75
14	H P Malone	7 75
14	A Gilmore	7 75
14	A S Groves	7 75
14	L B Prosser	7 75
11	C P Whitcomb	15 75
13	S G Slyke	10 75
14	A L Murray	7 75
13	Robert Long	10 75
11	I Kohn	15 75
12	I G Jackson	13 25
14	J E Janes	7 75
14	E T Johnson	7 75
13	John Denman	10 75
13	H S Durnten	10 75
14	A B Darrow	7 75
12	C M Dodge	13 25
14	O H Colton	7 75
14	W L Coylston	7 75
12	E J Boynton	13 25
14	F H Roberts	7 75
14	John Chambers	7 75
14	William Cartwell	7 75
	Real Estate Dealers.	
	J T Johnson	30 75
	C H Cushing	30 75
	J W McFarland	30 75
	C D Angel	30 75
	James L Mervin	30 75
	T W Davis	30 75
	Charles Sproter	30 75
	A T Allen	30 75
	Ira C Heath	30 75
	N Lazarus	30 75
	D D White	30 75
	Billiards.	
	Thomas C Kelley, 5 tables	70 75
	Eagan & Douglas, 3 tables	50 75
	H H Pierce, 3 tables	50 75
	A L Wyman, 2 tables	40 75
	Anderson & Holley, 4 tables	60 75
	Mrs M Burnell, 3 tables	50 75
	A Mayer & Co, 6 tables	80 75
	Barney McElroy, 2 tables	40 75
	Ceres Township.	
	Ceres.	
14	F H Raymond & Co	7 75
14	O P Coon	7 75
14	C B Roberts	7 75
	Billiards.	
	F A Chapman & Co, 2 tables	40 75
	Myrtle.	
14	F E Toll	7 75
	Duke Centre Borough.	
13	Duke & Mills	10 75
13	C C Rogers, groceries, feed, etc	10 75
13	W G Noble	10 75
13	J C Mathews	10 75
14	S Berlin	7 75
14	G N Grow	7 75
14	J Barrows	7 75
14	G A Williams & Co	7 75
14	H Williams	7 75
14	H G Keim & Co	7 75
14	L J Lilly	7 75
14	Geo Fischer	7 75
14	L Scraline	7 75
14	C C Rogers, furniture	7 75
	Billiards.	
	R T Salvage, 2 tables	40 75
	William Hunter, 3 tables	50 75
	Eldred Township.	
	Larrabee.	
13	J A Sampson & Co	10 75
14	W H Hudson	7 75
	Sartwell.	
14	M Doyle	7 75
	State Line Mills.	
13	Stickney & Co	10 75
	Indian Creek.	
14	A Donley	7 75
	Wigwam.	
14	Aaron Yordon	7 75
	Eldred Borough.	
14	B F Cory	7 75
14	B G Spiller	7 75
13	C W Dorrion & Co	10 75
13	Rogers & Franklin	10 75
14	I Dornberg	7 75
14	E O Merriman	7 75
14	A L Thrall	7 75
14	S Brumberg	7 75
14	W H Archibald	7 75
13	W T Langdon	10 75
14	W A Young	7 75
14	William Doig	7 75
14	A Harmon	7 75
14	A Crandall	7 75
14	R Dennis	7 75
14	A R Rowley	7 75
14	J C Welch	7 75
12	E C Wolcott & Co	13 25
14	A H Mayo	7 75
13	T L Sartwell	10 75
13	Owens Bros	10 75
14	A T Barden & Son	7 75
14	Rice & Albee	7 75
14	Oil Well Supply Co, Limited	7 75
14	McNally & Co	7 75
14	J E Wolcott	7 75
14	S Brown	7 75
	Billiards.	
	D C Holcomb, 3 tables	50 75
	M W Morgan, 2 tables	40 75
	Pedlers.	
	G T Dennis, 1 horse	16 75
	B Hannas, 2 horses	25 75
	George Simpson, 2 horses	25 75
	Foster Township.	
	Derrick City.	
14	Oil Well Supply Co, Limited	7 75
14	William Shean	7 75
14	William Howard	7 75
14	O Walker	7 75
	Gilmore.	
14	M McKay	7 75
13	G W Leroy	10 75
14	J E White	7 75
14	E E Herrick	7 75
	Billiards.	
	George Dana, 2 tables	40 75
	Red Rock.	
13	Co-Operative Supply Co, Limited	10 75
	Bell's Camp.	
14	Seaman & Hughes	7 75
14	Charles Fravor	7 75
	Sawyer City.	
14	Williams & Killbery	7 75
14	J C Hurd	7 75
	Billiards.	
	Mrs Schoonover, 2 tables	40 75
	Dallas City.	
14	E W Bissett	7 75
	Rew City.	
14	A D Smith	7 75
14	L H Cohen	7 75
14	W D Murray	7 75
14	W F Sinclair	7 75
14	A Spickman	7 75
	Hamlin Township.	
	Mt. Jewett.	
14	J Tate & Co	7 75
14	Davis & Rees	7 75
14	M J Gallup	7 75
	Hamilton Township.	
	Ludlow.	
13	J G Curtis	10 75
	Wetmore.	
13	Thomas Keelor	10 75
	Kane Borough.	
13	O D Coleman	10 75
14	C V Gillis	7 75
14	Febler & West	7 75
13	John Grady	10 75
14	James McDade	7 75
14	A J Wiener	7 75
14	J W Griffith & Co	7 75
12	J T & W Griffith	13 25
13	O G Kelts	10 75
14	O B Lay	7 75
14	J D Magowan	7 75
14	Frank Greco	7 75
12	M Flynn	13 25
14	James & Co	7 75
14	M Jackson & Brothers	7 75
14	Webb Evans	7 75
14	Misses M & G Schriever	7 75
14	P C West	7 75
14	A H Kingsley	7 75
14	D R Mathews	7 75
14	J A Greco	7 75
14	J A Vollmer	7 75
13	W B Smith	10 75
14	C E Brown	7 75
13	Oil Well Supply Co, Limited	10 75
14	G P Fryling	7 75
14	Mrs H B Thomas	7 75
	Billiards.	
	S Young, 3 tables	50 75
	J Mangelta, 3 tables	50 75
	Keating Township.	
	East Smethport.	
13	Stickney & Co	10 75
14	J M Tracy	7 75
14	H J Glenn	7 75
	Pool Table.	
	G W Neff, 1 table	30 75
	Farmer's Valley.	
14	F C Olds	7 75
	Brewery.	
8	E Schatt	25 75
	East Valley.	
14	G F Bayer	7 75
	Frisbee.	
14	H R Frisbee	7 75
14	G W Rice	7 75
	Coryville.	
	Pedler.	
	J Etenger, 1 horse	16 75
	Bordell.	
14	J A Stevens	7 75
	Colville.	
14	M Wilcox	7 75
14	Applebee & Stevens	7 75
	Simpson.	
14	W H Belknap & Co	7 75
14	J T Burkholder	7 75
14	O F Thompson	7 75
	Davis City.	
14	Lyons & Fargo	7 75
	Aiken.	
14	M B Finnessey	7 75
14	Oil Well Supply Co, Limited	7 75
14	W H Belknap	7 75
14	E B Thomas	7 75
	Kendall Borough.	
13	N W Brown	10 75
14	W L Fields	7 75
14	J H Dougherty	7 75
14	McCarty & Calhoun	7 75
14	Nutting & Smith	7 75
13	Mitchell Bros	10 75
13	E J C Hern	10 75
14	E D Newman	7 75
14	F X Bidaux	7 75
14	M B Sanborn	7 75
14	E W Evans	7 75
14	F H Burr & Co	7 75
14	J D Brown	7 75
14	W N Hannah	7 75
13	Hall & Allen	10 75
14	J M Nye	7 75
14	O F Spencer	7 75
14	M A Haggerty	7 75
14	J T Graham	7 75
14	J Slocum	7 75
14	George Delcamp, Sr	7 75
14	J H Rhodes	7 75
14	M R Myers	7 75
	Billiards.	
	David Dunn, 2 tables	40 75
	Pedlers.	
	R Hannas 2 horses	25 75
	N W Brown 2 horses	25 75
	Liberty Township.	
	Liberty.	
14	Farnsworth & Meech	7 75
	Wrights.	
14	Allen Yeate	7 75
	Brown's Switch.	
14	W J Templeton & Co	7 75
	Lafayette Township.	
	Alton.	
13	J W Beacom	10 75
14	A B Silverling	7 75
14	J J O'Connell	7 75
14	J D Phillips & Co	7 75
14	George E Beaumont	7 75
	Billiards.	
	Meek & Stancliff, 2 tables	40 75
	Pedler.	
	Charles Geary, 1 horse	16 75
	Ritersville.	
14	John Simpson	7 75
	Lafayette.	
14	G W Koonse	7 75
	Big Shanty.	
14	E Phelps & Co dry goods	7 75
14	E Phelps & Co groceries	7 75
14	Wm Thompson	7 75
14	S R Perrin	7 75
	Lewis Run.	
14	J C Cannon	7 75
	Norwich Township.	
	Colegrove.	
13	Smith & Newerf	10 75
14	C A Anderson	7 75
	Hamlin.	
14	Burdick, Agnew & Co	7 75
	Otto Township.	
	Rixford.	
14	Dodge & Newton, dry goods	7 75
13	Dodge & Newton, groceries, feed, &c	10 75
14	John Onsel	7 75
14	J Love	7 75
14	H Krohn	7 75
14	A F Titus	7 75
	Billiards.	
	F Dana, 2 tables	40 75
	Summit City.	
14	G W Folwell	7 75
14	Potts Bros	7 75
14	A Norton	7 75
14	R Wathey	7 75
	Billiards.	
	King & Robinson, 2 tables	40 75
	Goodell.	
14	Carnahan & Wagnor	7 75
14	B E Norton	7 75
	Port Allegany Borough.	
14	Helmer & Garthwait	7 75
13	L H Dolley	10 75
13	C A Larrabee	10 75
13	P C Camp & Co	10 75
13	Thos McDowell	10 75
12	M A Lillibridge	13 25
14	Dalrymple, Bard & Co	7 75
14	Hooker Bros	7 75
14	C A Dolley	7 75
14	Shaw & Williams	7 75
14	B C Gallup	7 75
14	A F Bard & Co	7 75
14	O E Goldhagen	7 75
14	Oscar Thoren	7 75
14	R J Mott	7 75
13	Root & Keating	10 75
	Billiards.	
	M A Lillibridge, 2 tables	40 75
	M Snyder, 2 tables	40 75
	S Chandler, 2 tables	40 75
	Smethport Borough.	
14	F J Vickery	7 75
14	L W Mason	7 75
14	A M Bannon	7 75
14	Specht & Sasse	7 75
14	John Tracy	7 75
14	Taylor & Parker	7 75
14	Mrs T D Nash	7 75
14	John Rooney	7 75
14	H C Wells	7 75
14	S B Sherwood	7 75
14	M A Sprague	7 75
14	E B McCoy	7 75
13	H W Rubin	10 75
14	Brownell Bros	7 75
14	W D Gallup	7 75
14	G W Williams	7 75
14	Gleason & Lemmler	7 75
13	A B Armstrong	10 75
14	D C Young	7 75
14	M E Armstrong	7 75
14	P D Hopkins	7 75
14	Haskill & Burdick	7 75
14	E S McCarty	7 75
14	J C Hamlin	7 75
14	D C Beattie	7 75
	Billiards.	
	C S King, 5 tables	70 75
	Sergeant Township.	
	Clermont.	
14	Lawrence Bayer	7 75
14	Mrs F B Steinhauer	7 75
14	G R Moore & Son	7 75
	Burning Well.	
14	Henry Schimmelfeng	7 75
	Wetmore Township.	
	Burrows.	
14	Taylor & Helms	7 75
	Swamp Lodge.	
14	G W Campbell	7 75
	West Kane.	
14	Eureka Medicine Co	7 75
14	G W Brown, agent	7 75
14	N B Covel	7 75
14	W W Henshey	7 75
14	John Onsel	7 75
	Billiards.	
	M L Christie, 2 tables	40 75
	Jo Jo.	
14	Thompson Bros	7 75
14	W B Hottel	7 75
14	E S Page	7 75
14	H B Wiser	7 75
14	Stickle Bros	7 75
	Billiards.	
	John Daubenspeck, 2 tables	40 75

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APRIL 10th, 1887,

between the hours of 9 a. m. and 4 p. m., where and when you may attend if you think proper.

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Smethport, Pa., Feb'y 26, 1887.

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M G Swanson	5,000
S J Swanson	2,000
J T Laird	1,000
R E Burdick	2,000
C A Burdick	5,000
H P Weaver	5,000
Wm O Connor	5,000
Mrs M A Sartwell	3,000
Clark Wilson	1,000
J W Reilly	2,000
Wm Haskell	4,000
W Z Georgia	5,000
J W Pike	2,000
W P Burdick	[illegible]
G N Barrett	[illegible]
F A Burdick	[illegible]
G E Wood	[illegible]
R Sartwell	[illegible]
Wm Myres	[illegible]
Thos Biffenderfer	[illegible]
James O Delp	[illegible]
Geo Miller	[illegible]
M O Campbell	[illegible]
J E Anderson	[illegible]
N Crossmyre	[illegible]
Mrs O A James	[illegible]
Wm Hearst	[illegible]
Duane Jones	[illegible]
A T Palmer	[illegible]
John O Connor	[illegible]
A E Cory	[illegible]
A T Smith	[illegible]
J E Shoemaker	[illegible]
D H Huf	[illegible]
Thomas Huf	[illegible]
E W Long	[illegible]
H H Corsons	[illegible]
A J Larsons	[illegible]
Dr Armstrong	[illegible]

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Our farmers are generally well posted in regard to preserving fodder in underground silos. The open air silo, however, is a novel affair. Mr. A. Cuchard, president of an agricultural association in Germany, is the inventor of the open air silo here represented.

The Country Gentleman describes this silo, which is simple, cheap, practical and also has the advantage of easy transport, as follows:

One puts on the desired site two beams of about 4 metres in length, so as to lie about 2 metres apart, and parallel. Chains of 1 metre long are attached to each end of these beams, and having a hook fastened to their last links. On these two beams a floor

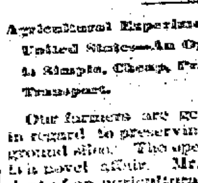


Fig. 1.

is made by placing old railway sleepers (if obtainable) crosswise on them, and on the flooring the fodder is placed, which in Fig. 1 represents a four cornered stack, containing about 45 cubic metres. Then on the top of the stack is placed a roof of old sleepers similar to the flooring; on this roofing are placed a couple of beams. These latter have at each end chains about 3 metres long, without any hooks.

To obtain the required pressure, which is unavoidably necessary to preserve green fodder, one uses a lever (Fig. 2) i. e., a simple round iron bar, about three centimetres thick and four metres long. This bar has three holes, about ten centimetres apart from each other, in which are fastened strong, short chains of about fifteen centimetres in length, each of them having a little hook attached to them. The chains (Fig. 2) are arranged so that the middle chain works in an opposite direction to the other two. The hand labor is very simple, one man alone being needed, but it is preferable to have two, thus obtaining a greater and more equal pressure.

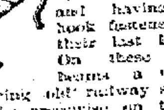


Fig. 2.

The man fastens the middle hook (A) in one of the links of the lower beam chain, and ditto the hook (C) in a link of the upper beam chain (Fig. 3, left), and the hook (D) can then be put about ten centimetres higher than the hook (C) in another link of the chain; the position of the lever is now as represented in Fig. 3, right. Then the lever is now raised, upward, to even ten centimetres more; the man then fastens the hook (C) higher up, and continues this till the lever can no longer be worked. Finally he fastens the lower beam chain hook on the upper beam chain. If, as I have described, there is only one man, this occasions an unequal sinking of the stack; thus the men work at different ends on the same beam, each having, of course, a lever, and keeping the pressure equal.

At first one must press the stack every day, so as to keep up with its gradual sinking; after about ten days the pressing is over. Fodder preserved in this manner will keep for years, and—excepting a layer

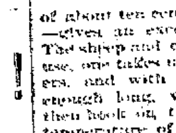


Fig. 3.

of about ten centimetres thick at the sides—gives an excellent quality of ensilage. The sheep and cows ate it greedily. For use, one takes up one or two of the sleepers, and with a sharp hay knife cuts enough long, vertical strips as wanted; then hook on the chains as before. The temperature of the inside of the stack is about 70 degs. C., and remains as high till the fermentation begins; then it sinks to about 50 or 40 degs., at which point it keeps the same for a long time. This high temperature destroys the fermenting powers, and hay so preserved is one of the sweetest ensilages known.

The Horse's Tail.

Ornamentation rules so generally in these days, that to overlook any point through which this may be reached in the horse is to lessen the prospect of attractiveness, and, in this way, lessen the prospective price. In the mere matter of speed, a horse with a rat tail will go as fast as though he carried a handsome flowing one. All the same, the latter is a very desirable appendage.

A low carried tail and a slim tail detract wonderfully from the looks of a horse otherwise of good proportions, stately and a good stepper, while a flowing tail, of good length, well carried, makes an otherwise plain horse attractive, and there are circumstances where it will add materially to his selling qualities. An expert fitter will greatly improve the mode of carrying the tail by using appliances for elevating it at the root, and especially may it be improved when carried partially to one side by severing the tendons on the lower side of the tail, on the side toward which the tail inclines, putting the tail in pulleys, drawing it gently over to the other side, until the space between the cut ends of the tendons fills up with new deposit. There is little danger of getting the tail too far over, as the tendency of the healing process is toward contraction, and this requires to be guarded against until the new material to fill the space is firm.—National Live Stock Journal.

Gypsum as a Manure.

As a manure gypsum is of limited value. It is composed of calcium and sulphuric acid, and is most suitable for crops such as clover and turnips. As superphosphate always contains much gypsum, special applications of gypsum will be unnecessary when superphosphate is employed.

Agricultural Experiment Stations.

In Commissioner Coleman's report for 1886 occurs the following concerning institutions for experimental work in agriculture: Agricultural experiment stations in this country have been established in nine states, in the following order: Connecticut and North Carolina in 1877, New Jersey, 1880; New York, Ohio and Massachusetts, 1882; Wisconsin and Alabama, 1883, and Maine in 1885. These are all distinctly independent institutions, with their own organizations, and supported by state appropriations or special tax; some, however, are located at state agricultural colleges and officered by the college professors. These stations differ greatly in their organization, facilities and work. Some are required to control the business in commercial fertilizers in their respective states, while others do nothing of this kind. In New Jersey and North Carolina $10,000 or more are expended yearly, mainly in laboratory work and the publication of results, although land is somewhat used in New Jersey. In Alabama and Wisconsin large areas of land are used—160 acres or more; in Ohio, 25 acres, and in New York about 125 acres.

In several other states there are provisions made for systematic experiment work at the agricultural colleges and state universities by appropriations from college funds and the assignment of professors to this duty. In some cases the results are becoming very valuable—at least, locally—while in others the efforts are feeble and uncertain. Other states and colleges are considering the inauguration of experimental inquiry, and efforts in this direction are apparently limited only by lack of means. Experimental agriculture is expensive.

An Old Superstition.

The Hungarian peasants still believe the old superstition about the Jews using the blood of infants or young children in certain of their rites, a fact brought conspicuously to light four or five years ago in the trial of a Jew for child murder, one of the children of the accused being the principal witness against its parent. In Roumania, Bulgaria and Roumelia it is even worse, the peasantry of these countries being even more ignorant and superstitious.—Buda-Pesth Cor. San Francisco Chronicle.

In the English Salt District.

A great many subsidences of land have taken place in the salt district near Northwich, England. The owners of the sinking land want the pumpers of brine to pay for the damages. The brine men reply that they pump brine on their own land, and they are not responsible for the fact that it causes other people's land to cave in. People shouldn't buy land with such a thin crust.—New York Tribune.

A CHAMBER SCENE.

'Tis all softly thro' these sumptuous rooms,
For every bough is hung with life,
And kisses in harmonious strife,
Unloose their sharp and winged perfumes;
From Afric and the Persian looms
The carpet's silken leaves have sprung;
And heaven, in its blue bounty, flung
These starry flowers and azure blooms.

Tread softly! by a creature fair
The deity of love reposes;
His red lips open, like the roses
Which round his hyacinthine hair,
Hang in crimson coronals;
And passion fills the arched halls;
And beauty floats upon the air.

Tread softly, like the foot
Of winter shod with fleecy snow,
Who cometh white, and cold, and mute,
Lest he should wake the spring below.
Oh! look, for here lies love and youth,
Fair spirits of the heart and mind;
Alas! that one should stray from truth,
And one be ever, ever blind!
—Bryan W. Proctor.

Who Wrote the "Bonny Blue Flag."

Referring to the statement contained in a letter published in The Avalanche some weeks ago, to the effect that Judge Wiley P. Harris, of this city, first suggested the idea to Harry McCarty, the author of the "Bonny Blue Flag," upon which that famous song was afterward set to music and taken up and sung from one end of Dixie land to the other. That eminent jurist, who bears the unquestioned reputation of being the greatest of Mississippi's lawyers, says that while he has no definite recollection of the matter, "that it is quite probable that he did say something to McCarty about it," but he has a more definite recollection of the solemnity of the occasion on the day Mississippi seceded. Col. Power, now proprietor of The Clarion, says that he himself set up the "Bonny Blue Flag" with his own hands; that Harry McCarty brought it to him and told him that Judge Harris had made the suggestion to him upon which he had written the song. Judge Harris makes no claim, he says, to the literary merit of McCarty's lines.—Cor. Memphis Avalanche.

Afraid of Policemen.

Parents make a great mistake in teaching their children to be afraid of policemen. I have often heard them threatening as a punishment to send for the brass buttoned officials to come and take them to prison. The consequence is that the little ones learn to regard a cop with terror whenever they see one. You would be surprised to know how generally this sentiment is implanted in the minds of children under 9 or 10 years of age, and what hinderance it causes the department in aiding them to find their homes when they happen to get lost. Policemen, as a rule, are fond of children, and I think that for the latters' safety they should be taught to look on every one of us as their friend, to whom they would first think of appealing whenever they might be in trouble.—Police Sergeant in Globe-Democrat.

The Sick in Chinatown.

Perhaps the most forbidding feature of Chinese life is the neglect of the sick and the suffering. Ill fares the coolie that falls sick in Chinatown. He may be provided with the necessaries of life by his society, but of medical attendance or proper care he will get none. Nearly every week the police discover some wretched unfortunate that has been left to die in an underground den by unnatural relatives or friends. Slow starvation in a noisome cellar, in the horror of thick darkness, with vermin swarming over the helpless sufferer—such is the fate that has befallen many a poor creature in Chinatown.—George H. Fitch in the Cosmopolitan.

No Fire Alarms in Lisbon.

The Lisbonese object to fire alarms. Their church bells may ring until your head aches with the din, the chimes may set your teeth on edge, but a set number of strokes to notify the volunteer firemen that in such or such a district the saving of life and property depends upon their rapid exertions, disturbs their equanimity—they won't have it.—Home Journal.

A Pet Parrot's Coffin.

A few days ago a well known woman in New York society ordered from an undertaker a coffin in which to bury a dead parrot and stipulated that it should be as rich and handsome in its adornments as it was possible to make it without resorting to the use of precious metals or stones.—Chicago Herald.

A Vast Empire.

Kansas in itself is a vast empire. Few people know that within its boundaries can be placed the states of Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, Delaware and Maryland, and still there would be a very considerable area left.—Chicago Herald.

Good resolutions may shape the future, but they cannot undo the work of the past.—Boston Traveller.

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Theatre at Salt Lake City.

The theatre is a large, well proportioned building, with four galleries, rather dingy, but much better than any theatre in eastern towns of the size of Salt Lake City. The audience was largely composed of women. Groups of four or six of these were attended by one man, and many of them came quite without escort. They were dressed, if without taste, still without vulgarity, and among the younger ones I saw several very pretty girlish faces, some of which would have been more attractive if an improvement on nature's colors had not been attempted.

The appearance of the men was infinitely repulsive. Coarse and heavy faces they had, for the most part, with a stupid, animal expression. I had almost written brutish. Hard faces, too, without mobility or kindliness. They wear the beard full, with the upper lip shaven. If the mouth is the telltale feature of the face, as is often said, it is as well, possibly, that the majority of mankind wear it covered, for the tale these Mormon mouths told was was not a pleasant one to read. Many nationalities were to be traced in the assembly—pale faced Swedes and ruddy Welsh folk; the sandy Scotchman was not wanting, nor yet the swarthy Chinese; but best among them all to see was the delicate face of a Gentile, a young officer from the fort near by, sitting alone amidst a group of saints, who regarded him with anything but amiable glances.—Cor. Boston Transcript.

A Popular Fallacy.

It is a popular fallacy that the use of glasses should be delayed as long as possible, for fear they will become indispensable. The fact is that among civilized reading and thinking beings who have any proper appreciation of the value of time they have already become indispensable to those who can work more easily with them than without them. We have all better use for our strength than to waste it in a gymnastic contest against time, when we are sure to be losers in the end.

By working the ciliary muscle very hard we can overcome the rigidity of the lens even after it has ceased to respond to ordinary efforts. But persistence in such effort merely obliges us to close our books earlier in the day, and lose in time what cannot be made up by the satisfaction of being still independent of glasses. Weariness, neuralgia, nervous prostration and other ills are the rewards of too great obstinacy in such a course. Glasses bear the same relation to civilized life as surface cars, carriages and other modern conveniences. We could get along without them. But why should we?—Harper's Bazar.

Traditions of the Eskimos.

But, speaking of traditions, I might say that these people possess a great many of them. It is, however, very difficult to induce an Eskimo to speak of such things or of his religious beliefs. The only way of extracting such information from an Eskimo is to make him your friend, and then getting him away from his companions promise that you will not tell them what he may tell you, and having done this to draw him step by step into the line of conversation you want to get at.

One of their traditions is about the flood, and I think it is particularly interesting, as it is one of many similar legends held by the savage tribes. The Eskimos say that a very long time ago there was a great rain, which flooded the earth and destroyed all men except a few, who constructed a large boat out of a number of small ones and used it as a means of escape. After a while the poor creatures, being exposed to the fury of the storm in their open boat, began to be cold and uncomfortable; so their chief, standing up, threw his spears and ornaments into the waters, and this was sufficient to pacify them and they subsided. They have also a romantic legend about the origin of the sun and moon.—Toronto Mail.

Italian Citizens of Brooklyn.

In South Brooklyn there are shanties or rather wooden houses in the last stage of dilapidation around the factories, which shelter a vast number of Italians. Sometimes a door swings open and lets out a vile, pestiferous odor, partly from the rags which the Calabrians are shifting and sorting, partly from the Calabrians themselves. They appear to be very degraded citizens, indeed, and are more animal and less rational than is safe in a republican country. On Sunday one may hear from these hovels a perfect series of what one supposes to be violent threats, in staccato accents; but it is nothing of the kind, only two ragpickers playing the national game of morra, which consists of throwing into the air so many fingers and guessing how many there are upraised in the four grimy hands. They are wonderfully expert and yell out the numbers with lightning like rapidity, but the one that loses is generally tempted to settle accounts with his sheath knife—perfectly proper in the Basilicata or in the Calabrian mountains, but not exactly the thing in Brooklyn.—Brooklyn Eagle.

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TRAINS LEAVE EMPORIUM JUNCTION EASTWARD.

8:20, a. m.—Day Express for Sunbury, Harrisburg and intermediate stations, Lancaster, Philadelphia, New York, Baltimore and Washington, arriving at Philadelphia 6:50 p. m., New York 9:25 p. m., Baltimore 6:45 p. m., Washington, 7:15 p. m. Pullman Parlor car through from Williamsport to Philadelphia.

9:15 p. m.—Erie Mail for Sunbury, Harrisburg and intermediate stations, Lancaster, Philadelphia, New York, Baltimore and Washington, arriving at Philadelphia, 6:25 a. m., New York 11:20 a. m., Baltimore 6:15 a. m., Washington 9:30 a. m. Through Pullman sleeping cars are run on this train from Erie to Philadelphia and from Williamsport to Baltimore and Washington and through passenger cars from Erie to Philadelphia and from Williamsport to Baltimore.

WESTWARD.

10:30 a. m.—Erie Mail for Erie and all intermediate stations with through Pullman Palace car and through passenger coaches to Erie.

6:25 p. m.—Niagara Express for Kane and intermediate stations with through passenger coaches to Kane.

THROUGH TRAINS for EMPORIUM JUNCTION FROM THE EAST AND SOUTH.

Niagara Express leaves Philadelphia 7:40 a. m., Baltimore 7:20 a. m., arriving at Emporium Junction 5:25 p. m., with through Pullman Parlor car from Philadelphia to Williamsport.

Erie Mail leaves New York 8:00 p. m., Philadelphia 11:25 p. m., Washington 10:00 p. m., Baltimore 11:20 p. m., arriving at Emporium Junction 10:30 a. m., with through Pullman Palace sleeping cars from Philadelphia to Erie and from Washington and Baltimore to Williamsport and through passenger coaches from Philadelphia to Erie.

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LINES OF TRAVEL.

BUFFALO NEW YORK & PHILADELPHIA RAILROAD.

Time Table takes effect Dec. 12, 1886.

BUFFALO DIVISION.

North'd				Stations	South'd		
p. m.	p. m.	a. m.	Ar.	Lv.	a. m.	p. m.	p. m.
7 00	4 25	8 00		Buffalo	8 00	2 10	5 25
6 37	12 18	8 00		East Aurora	8 46	3 46	6 15
6 15	12 17	7 16		Chaffee	9 22	4 22	[illegible]
5 53	12 12	7 01		Arcade	9 36	4 36	[illegible]
5 16	11 44	6 47		Machias	9 50	4 50	[illegible]
5 03	11 33	6 36		Franklinville	10 02	5 02	[illegible]
4 23	11 06	6 02		Hinsdale	10 36	5 35	[illegible]
4 00	10 45	5 45		Olean	11 00	6 00	[illegible]
2 15	7 15			Bradford	12 45	7 10	
p. m.	a. m.	a. m.	Lv.	Ar.	p. m.	p. m.	
3 46	10 36			Portville	11 15	6 17	
3 22	10 09			Eldred	11 36	6 41	
3 14	10 01			Larrabees	11 45	6 49	
2 58	9 38			Port Allegany	12 05	[illegible]	
1 45	8 25			Emporium	1 15	[illegible]	
p. m.	a. m.		Lv.	Ar.	p. m.	a. m.	
a. m.			Lv.	Ar.	a. m.		
3 30				Harrisburg	4 30		
11 25				Philadelphia	7 50		
8 00				New York	11 20		
11 20				Baltimore	7 15		
10 00				Washington	9 25		
p. m.			Lv.	Ar.	a. m.		

Sunday Trains.—Leave Buffalo 5:20 p. m., and arriving Buffalo 8:10 a. m. run daily.

Additional Sunday Trains.—Leave Buffalo 9:20 a. m. arriving at Machias Jc. 12:45 p. m.; leave Machias Jc. 5:00 p. m. arriving at Buffalo at 7:25 p. m. stopping at intermediate stations.

Narrow Gauge System. Trains leave Olean for Bradford 7.50, 11.30 a. m., 6.05 p. m., arrive Olean 8.36 a. m., 3.35, 6.00 p. m. Leave Eldred for Bradford 7.10, 11.37 a. m., 3.35 p. m., arrive Eldred 8.30, ... a. m., 2.55, 5.10 p. m. Leave Bradford for Kinzua 7.00, 9.15 a. m., 4.30 p. m., arrive Bradford 11.35 a. m., 3.35, 8.00 p. m. Sunday Trains.—Leave Olean for Bradford 8.30 p. m., arrive Olean 11.00 a. m.

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CLERMONT BRANCH.

L'v Northw'd		Stations	L'v Southw'd	
P. M.	A. M.		A. M.	P. M.
3.10	9.35	Larrabees	11.45	6.49
3.00	9.14	Frisbee	11.55	7.00
2.45	8.55	Farmers Valley	12.05	7.12
2.31	8.40	Smethport	12.17	7.25
2.15	7.20	Crosby	12.32	7.40
2.08	7.10	Colegrove	12.37	7.45
2.01	7.00	Hamlin	12.40	7.52
1.55	6.09	Clermont	1.15	8.00
P. M.	A. M.		P. M.	P. M.

ROCHESTER DIVISION.

North'd				Stations	South'd		
p. m.	a. m.	a. m.	ar.	lv.	a. m.	p. m.	p. m.
7 50	11 05	9 00		Rochester	7 30	3 30	5 00
7 11	10 52	8 47		Terminal	8 06	3 43	6 19
6 56	10 40	8 36		Genesee Junc.	8 12	3 59	[illegible]
6 39	10 27	8 25		Scottsville	8 25	4 05	[illegible]
6 16	10 10	8 00		Avon	8 42	4 22	[illegible]
6 06	10 00	7 47		Fowlerville	8 53	4 31	[illegible]
6 00	9 53	7 40		York	9 00	4 37	[illegible]
5 45	9 36	7 22		Cuylerville	9 16	4 52	[illegible]
5 31	9 20	7 10		Mt Morris	9 37	5 10	[illegible]
5 10	9 00	6 49		Tuscarora	9 55	5 30	[illegible]
5 02	8 53	6 40		Junction	10 03	5 44	[illegible]
4 36	8 25	a. m.		Portage	10 31	6 14	[illegible]
4 22	8 11			Wiscoy	10 45	6 30	
4 12	8 03			Fillmore	10 55	6 36	
3 53	7 45			Caneadea	11 12	7 00	
3 45	7 35			Belfast	11 22	7 17	
3 12	7 02			Cuba	11 53	7 50	
2 55	6 45			Hinsdale	12 10	8 10	
2 35	6 25			Olean	12 30	8 30	
p. m.	a. m.		lv	ar	p. m.	p. m.	
	6 30		lv	Nunda ar		7 5	
			lv	Swaines ar			
	a. m.	a. m.			a. m.	p. m.	p. m.

THE ERIE NARROW GAUGE SYSTEM BRADFORD BORDELL & KINZUA RAILROAD, and BRADFORD, ELDRED & CUBA RAILROAD. Takes effect Saturday, Nov. 27, '86.

Westward			Stations	Eastward		
p. m.	a. m.			a. m.	a. m.	
5 10	10 30		ar. Bradford lv.	7 45	10 10	3 55
4 35	9 45		Kenzua Jn.	8 25	11 25	4 35
4 25	9 48		Rew City	8 35	12 00	4 41
4 05	9 25		Rixford	8 48	12 05	4 58
4 00	9 21		Duke Centre	8 52	12 15	5 02
3 43	9 08		Eldred	9 08	1 00	5 15
3 27	8 52		Bullis Mills	9 25	1 30	5 30
3 12	8 37		Ceres	9 37	1 40	5 47
2 54	8 24		Little Genesee	9 52	1 55	6 00
6 00	4 50	8 15	Lv. Bolivar Ar	9 50	2 25	6 15
5 30	2 29	7 51	Allentown	10 21	3 10	6 30
4 50	2 00	7 25	lv. Wellsville ar	10 50	3 50	7 00
p. m.	p. m.	a. m.		a. m.	p. m.	p. m.

			N. Y., L. E. & W.			
	3 20		Hornellsville	12 10		8 20
			Addison	1 13		
			Corning	1 31		9 01
	1 57		Elmira	1 56		10 00
			Waverly	2 26		10 51
			Owego	2 55		11 22
	12 21		Binghamton	3 31		12 36
	6 00		lv. New York ar	10 00		7 25
	p. m.			p. m.		a. m.

p. m.	p. m.	a. m.		a. m.	a. m.	p. m.
7 25	1 15	10 00	ar. Bradford lv.	7 45	9 15	2 45
6 56	1 40	9 35	Kinzua Junct'n	8 25	9 55	3 25
6 43	1 35	8 18	Aiken	8 37	10 02	3 30
6 36	1 25	8 03	Davis	8 44	10 08	3 32
6 26	1 20	8 00	Simpson	8 51	10 16	3 40
6 20	1 10	7 55	Ormsby	9 00	10 22	3 45
5 59	12 40	7 35	Smethport	9 30	11 00	
5 30	12 40	6 55	Mt. Jewett		11 35	4 15
5 10	12 00	6 15	Kane		11 30	5 10
p. m.	m.	a. m.			a. m.	p. m.

JNO. C. McKENNA, Superintendent.

CUBA BRANCH. To take effect Jan. 1, 1887.

Westward		Stations	Eastward	
28	26		25	27
p. m.	a. m.		a. m.	p. m.
5 27	9 07	Ar. Cuba Lv.	10 00	5 05
1 30	7 25	Lv. Little Genesee Ar	11 42	7 00
1 15	7 10	Bolivar	11 55	7 20

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Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburgh Railway Company. New Time Table, take effect Dec. 19, 1886.

ROCHESTER DIVISION.

Eastward			Stations	Westward		
Acc.	Exp	Mail	Eastern Time.	Mail	Exp	Acc.
p. m.	p. m.	a. m.		a. m.	p. m.	p. m.
3 15	7 30	9 30	ar Rochester lv	7 50	5 30	5 40
2 02	7 03	9 05	Scottsville	8 20	6 03	9 30
1 27	6 50	8 40	Mumford	8 29	6 12	9 55
1 01	6 39	8 28	Leroy	8 47	6 27	10 30
12 52	6 30	8 14	Pavillion	9 01	6 56	11 30
12 05	6 13	7 55	Wyoming	9 26	7 03	12 00
11 33	6 02	7 55	Warsaw	9 36	7 10	12 09
10 55	5 50	7 41	Silver Lake Jun	9 44	7 43	1 05
10 20	5 36	7 35	Gainesville	9 54	8 14	2 00
9 50	5 27		Pike	10 02		2 30
9 30	5 18		Elba	10 14		2 45
9 11	5 08		Farmersville	10 41	Noon	3 42
7 55	4 39	Noon	Machias	10 55	p. m.	4 22
7 15	4 22	a. m.	Ashford	11 15	7 05	5 00
6 20	4 00	8 55	Ellicottville	11 25	7 15	5 50
a. m.	3 40	8 47	Bradford Junc.	11 45	7 30	p. m.
	3 26	8 30	lv Salamanca ar	11 49		
	3 20		ar Salamanca lv	12 17		
	3 16			12 53		
	3 03	8 21	Carrollton	12 07	7 39	
	2 51	8 16	Limestone	12 19	7 51	
	2 40	8 00	lv Bradford ar	12 30	8 00	
	2 15		ar Bradford lv	12 55		
	2 03		Custer City	1 08		
	12 02		Johnsonb'g Jun.	3 01		
	11 40		Ridgway	3 22		
	10 58		Carmon	3 50		
	10 30		Brockwayville	4 20		
	9 56		Falls Creek	4 53		
	9 50		DuBois	5 05		
	9 18		Sykes	5 25		
	8 59		Big Run	5 47		
	8 40		Punxsutawney	6 08		
	8 25		lv Clarville ar	6 10		
	a. m.			p. m.		

BUFFALO DIVISION.

Eastward		Stations	Westward	
Exp	Mail		Mail	Exp
a. m.	p. m.		a. m.	p. m.
11 00	6 15	Ar Buffalo Lv	8 40	5 10
		William St. Dep		
10 17	5 36	Orchard Park	9 21	5 41
10 05	5 22	West Falls	9 33	5 51
9 55	5 12	Colden	9 41	6 05
9 20	4 46	Springville	10 06	6 30
9 07	4 23	West Valley	10 28	6 55
8 55	4 10	Ashford	10 40	7 05

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COUDERSPORT & PORT ALLEGANY Railroad Time Table, takes effect December, 1886.

Ar. Eastw'd.		Stations.	L'v Westw'd.	
P.M.	P.M.		A.M.	P.M.
8 20	1.38	Coudersport	8.00	5.00
8.16	1.14	Hammonds	8.04	5.06
8.09	1.06	Olmsted	8.12	5.12
8.04	1.00	Nelsons	8.18	5.17
7.57	12.53	Knowlton	8.25	5.25
7.51	12.45	Roulette	8.32	5.32
7.46	12.41	Pomeroy Bridge	8.36	5.38
7.38	12.32	Burtville	8.42	5.44
7.31	12.26	Silver Spring	8.48	5.50
7.25	12.19	Coleman	8.55	5.55
7.20	12.12	Port Allegany	9.00	6.00

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